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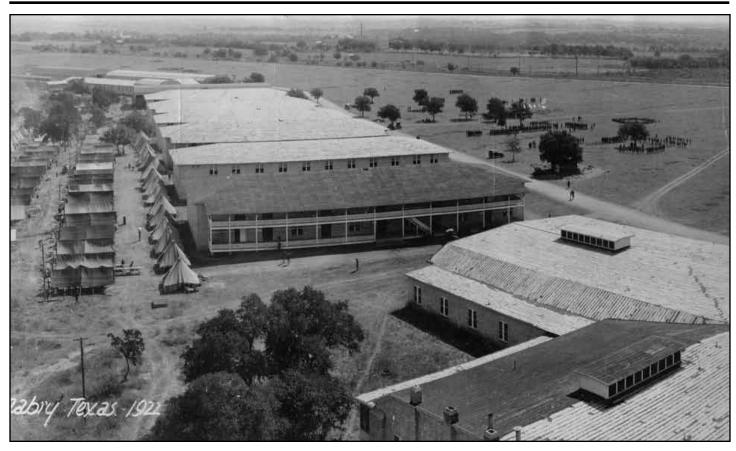
Business Meeting: Camp Mabry Building 8, Austin, Texas

CTA Social: Camp Mabry Picnic Area Austin, Texas

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President's Forum

By Missi Green

Seems like we were all in Houston just last week! Time has sure flown by and another year is well on its way. I hope that we as members of CTA continue to make the organization a stronger group of professionals, students, and advocationals that are passionate in working for recording, researching, preserving, and educating other about our archeological and historical heritage.

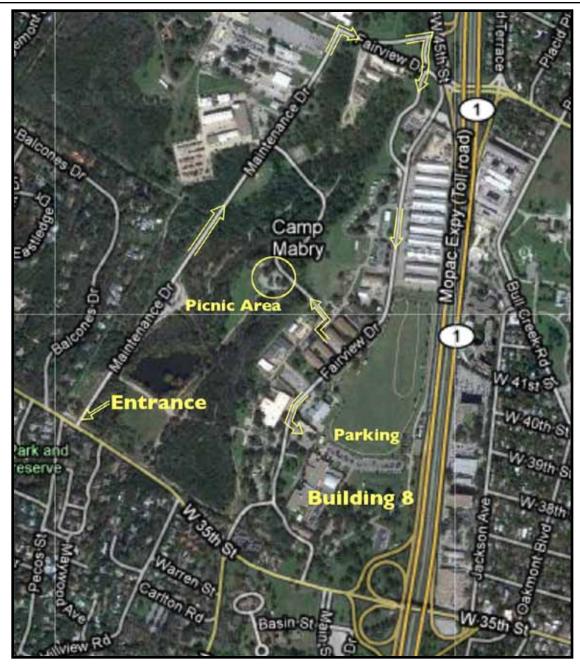
Although a short film for the MAP (Making Archeology Public) project has not been produced earlier this year to be presented at SHA or SAA and we've lost a member or two committee members, the remaining committee is still working and hope to have a film completed by the end of the year. Unfortunately, due to scheduling, it has been hard for us to meet often enough to be further along in the process, but our goal is still in sight. It is something I feel is important and will continue to work toward achieving this goal.

I recently received an email concerning CTA's interest in becoming an Affiliated Society of the Register of Professional Archaeologists (RPA). A copy of this email and the background info is included in this news. I don't know much about it and am hard pressed to see what benefit it is for CTA to become a member other than a possible cost break to members of RPA who are not affiliated with one of the supporting societies (SHA, SAA, AIA, AAA). Any discussion is welcome. Please keep the Executive Committee or any committee chairs and/or members updated on items or issues that you feel are important to CTA so that we can continue to do our jobs in advising, speaking out, and keeping the society and membership involved in managing and preserving Texas' cultural resources.



As this is my last newsletter report, I would like to say that it has been my privilege to serve as your President for the last 2 years. I believe in this organization and what it has to offer to our membership and to the archeological community at large. I've enjoyed it and look forward to working within CTA for years to come.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Austin and hope that this year is a good one for all!



INSTRUCTIONS:

Everyone who comes to the meeting at Camp Mabry must bring a photo ID. Tell the guard that you are attending the CTA Spring Meeting in Building 8. Please do not park in the small parking lot at the west entrance of Building 8, but continue on to the large parking lot to the east. Anyone who is NOT a current member and plans to attend the meeting or social will need to contact Kristi Miller Ulrich (indyjonestx@gmail.com) to register. Lunch can be purchased on site or there are several restaurants nearby.

Spring 2016 Agenda

Registration - 8:30 am

Call to Order - 9:00 am

Announcements

Approval of Minutes, Fall 2015 Meeting

Officers' Reports

President (Missi Green)
Past President (Rachel Feit)
Secretary (Kristi Miller Nichols)
Treasurer (Carole Leezer)
Newsletter Editor (Mindy Bonine)

Agency Reports

Texas Historical Commission (Pat Mercado-Allinger)

Texas Parks and Wildlife (Michael Strutt)
Texas Department of Transportation (Scott Pletka)

Texas Archeological Research Laboratory (Jonathan Jarvis)

Standing Committee Reports

Auditing (Mark Denton)
CTA Communications (Mindy Bonine)
Contractors List (Shelly Fischbeck)
Curation (Mary Beth Tomka)
Governmental Affairs (Nesta Anderson)
Multicultural Relations (Mary Jo Galindo)
Nominating (Bill Martin)
Public Education (David Brown)

Special Committee Reports

Academic Archeology and CRM (Todd Ahlman)
Anti-Looting Committee (Jeffery Hanson)

History (Doug Boyd) Membership (Haley Rush)

Old Business

Please renew your memberships! Funding CTA Career Social By-law change to formalize budget committee

New Business

E. Mott Davis Award Presentation Anything else?

Meeting Adjourns - 12:00 pm

Afternoon Session - 1:30 pm

CTA Social – 5:00 pm – Camp Mabry Campground Pavilion

Note: Agenda is subject to chenge prior to the Spring Meeting

Vice President's Report

By Reign Clark

Over the past year, my primary function as the first CTA Vice President has been to help the President figure out what a CTA Vice President does! Since I joined the executive committee in the Spring of 2015, Missi has increasingly realized that she now has a new source of help when tasks start to pile up before the CTA meetings. I am happy to be of service. She asked me to put out the call for papers for the Spring Meeting and select the presenters from the abstracts received. The call is now closed and the list of presenters have been chosen. Please come and take part in the afternoon session from 1:30 to 4:00 PM.

We have a great group of presenters lined up for the Spring 2016 Meeting at Camp Mabry. Michael Strut and Ruth Mathews of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will present on public opposition to Marsh Restoration at the San Jacinto Battleground. Jonathan Jarvis of Texas Archeological Research Laboratory will discuss their current protocol for site documentation and submission of data. Donald Firsching of Texas



Historical Commission will present on the greatly anticipated online submission system for Section 106 review. Jacob Hooge and Amy Reid of Texas State University will present on their findings from feature excavation at the Spring Lake Site in San Marcos. CTA grant recipient Caitlin Gulihur will discuss the results of her 1,000-Acre Brewster County Surveys. And lastly, William Moore of Brazos Valley Research Associates will discuss long-term data compilation project pertaining to diagnostic lithic artifacts from across Texas.

Abstracts for the Spring 2016 CTA Afternoon Session

Michael Strutt and Ruth Mathews, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department 1:30-1:45 PM

San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site Phase II of the Marsh Restoration and the Importance of Communication and Transparency

In January 2014, TPWD Natural Resources Program began Phase II of the Marsh Restoration Project at San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site. Believing that all of the permits had been acquired, and communication with the right entities had been undertaken TPWD began the first steps towards infilling that portion of the battleground known as Boggy Bayou and the proposed location of many of the fallen Mexican soldiers and their arms. Even though this area was already beneath feet of sediments and the project had received great enthusiasm from public and private sectors, much to the surprise of TPWD the outcry from Private Special Interest Groups brought many hours of private meetings and public explanation, presentation preparation, and public mollification. The lesson learned is never make assumptions and always be as transparent as possible.

Jonathan Jarvis, Texas Archeological Research Laboratory 1:45-2:00 PM

Mr. Jarvis will deliver a brief presentation summarizing the current procedures and best practices for recording sites with TARL and how that fits into the larger picture of Texas archeology. Common mistakes and misconceptions will be addressed along with tips and tricks for efficiently submitting your site data. Alternatives for submitting geospatial data for those without access to GIS software—and the reasons that geospatial data are required—will also be discussed.

Donald Firsching, Texas Historical Commission 2:00-3:00 PM

For over a year, Texas Historical Commission reviewers from the divisions of Archeology, History Programs, and Architecture have worked with Donald Firsching of the IT Department to develop a system that will allow users to submit projects for review electronically and receive email responses. The system allows users to upload documents and receive an email noting that the material has been received and tracked into our database. Beta testing is currently underway by a few archeological and architectural firms, as well as a couple of federal agencies. This presentation includes a summary of how the system works with an online demonstration.

Jacob Hooge and Amy E. Reid, Texas State University 3:00-3:30 PM

An Intact Burned Rock Feature at the Spring Lake Site, 41HY160, San Marcos, Texas

CAS's 2014 data recovery excavations at the Spring Lake Site (41HY160) unearthed an intact burned rock feature unlike any other feature recorded at this multicomponent site. This unique feature contains a significantly high concentration of burned clay on top of and within a discrete cluster of burned rock. A particularly large sphere of burned clay, as well as sand particles from what appears to be sandstone within the feature fill, are among the various evidence available that could help determine the age and function of this well preserved feature. We present a description of this feature including the associated artifacts and geoarchaeological context, the results of several analyses conducted as well a review of analyses either currently underway or planned for the near future.

Caitlin Gulihur, CTA Grant Recipient 3:30-3:45 PM

Preliminary Results of an Archaeological Survey in Eastern Brewster County

In July and August 2015, a 6 week pedestrian survey inspected nearly 1,000 acres in eastern Brewster County in order to better understand the settlement patterns of the region. The survey was designed to study how rockshelters affect the location of open campsites on the landscape. Thirty-four sites were found. The sites ranged from large, well-used rockshelters to light lithic scatters and dated from the Middle Archaic to the Late Prehistoric. This paper details the methods and preliminary results from that survey.

William Moore, Brazos Valley Research Associates 3:45-4:00 PM

Mr. Moore will discuss his ongoing project to identify, discuss, and illustrate named projectile point types that have been reported in Texas. The purpose of his study is to provide as much information as possible about each point type with no statement as to which ones are valid. The types discussed do not have to be a Texas type, just reported to have been found in Texas. His data is separated into two volumes covering arrow points and dart points.

Secretary Report

By Kristi Miller Nichols

Hello everyone! Here is your friendly reminder that it is time to renew memberships for the 2016 year. As you know, membership with CTA is on a yearly basis, with each new year starting on January 1. Everyone's 2015 membership expired on December 31, 2015. Membership renewals can be done in several ways. You are able to pay online via Square through the CTA website (www.counciloftexasarcheologists.org) completing a membership renewal form (also on our website) and mailing it with a check to Council of Texas Archeologists c/o Kristi Miller Nichols, Raba Kistner Environmental, Inc., 12821 W. Golden Lane, San Antonio, Texas 78249. Please review our membership fees. Contractor fees are \$125 per year (\$129 if paying online). Remember, you must be a member as well to be listed on the Contractors list. The other membership level fees have remained the same as stated on the webpage.

Please take a moment to join the CTA_org Yahoo! Group. All notices to the CTA membership are posted to this email list and this is our main way of communicating with the CTA membership. This will be the quickest way to be up to date on changes and upcoming events and issues. If you are not currently on this list, please forward



your current email address to Mindy Bonine at ebony2071@yahoo.com and she will see that you are added to the list server.

As of the beginning of March, our membership consists of 2 students, 53 professionals, and 20 contractors. Our numbers last year were very low. As a result, we had a deficit in the budget. If we continue to not meet the expected membership levels, we may have to revisit the budgets and cut costs. Membership fees are where we bring in the majority of our revenue to use for scholarships, grants, and meetings. Please renew your memberships and encourage others to join CTA.

Treasurer Report

By Carole Leezer

The proposed 2017 Budget was published within the newsletter. It will be discussed and voted on at the Spring CTA Meeting

As of February 18, 2016, our Checking account contains \$13,631.41; the Money Market Savings account contains \$18,911.28; and our Scholarship Fund contains \$9023.29.



Newsletter Editor Report

By Mindy Bonine

It appears that my tenure as the CTA Newsletter Editor is winding down, as we have a nominee for my replacement. As of this newsletter, I will have been at the job for 10 years, and it's time to give over the reins to another.

It has been a pleasure to work with everyone over the years in the executive committee and committee chairs. We all work together to keep this organization going.



Public Education Committee Report

By David O. Brown and Jon Lohse

The E.Mott Davis Award Nominee

The San Felipe de Austin Heritage Learning Project (SFdAHLP) is an authentic collaboration between archaeologists at Coastal Environments, Inc. and the Texas Historical Commission, and educators in the Spring Branch ISD. As investigators from CEI and the THC explore and develop San Felipe de Austin, they invite K-12 teachers to determine how best to connect their grade level, content area TEKS (Texas Essentials for Knowledge and Skills) with ongoing archaeological work. Student input in the form of questions, suggestions for how to interpret data or where to conduct subsequent phases of work is solicited. Project members commit to responding to this input by digital or written feedback, video interviews and correspondence, and in person visits to participating classrooms. Students recognize and immediately respond to the authentic participation, which has the effect of significantly increasing their enthusiasm for closing learning gaps.



Heritage learning combines two of the central goals of an informed, socially responsible, and critically applied archaeology: using the past to increase enthusiasm for learning and education, and instilling an appreciation for and openness to cultural perspectives and values. Students, from 4th grade to high school, have accelerated their own learning using archaeological terms, techniques, methods, data, and topics. By using events at San Felipe that align with events in national and world history like revolution, fleeing war and conflict, democratic processes, the historical narrative of a territory gaining independence from a Colonial nation, students are rapidly increasing their English fluency and literacy and their critical thinking skills.

https://sites.google.com/site/sanfelipedeaustinarcheo/

https://www.facebook.com/SFdAHLP/

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCly18gXUAojitvc7AENlkHg

 $https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fIj_p2u0FD8\&feature=youtu.be$

The Nomination Form for the SFdAHLP follows this page. Check it out!

Council of Texas Archeologists E. Mott Davis Award for Excellence in Public Outreach

Nomination Form

I. CRM Project Name San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site, 41AU2
II. Archaeological Contractor Coastal Environments, Inc.
Key Person Jon Lohse
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III. Agency or Sponsor Historic Sites Division, Texas Historical Commission
Key Person Brett Cruse
Project Role (Project Manager, Contracting Officer, etc.) Sites Supervisor/Project Manager
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IV. Other Agency or Institution(1) Spring Branch Independent School District
(2) Historic Sites Division, Texas Historical Commission
Key Person (1) Carol Salva (2) Bryan McAuley
Project Role (1) Educator (2) Site Manager, San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site
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Note: Typically one key person from an archaeological firm, usually the principal investigator, and one from the sponsor or client are nominated. If more than one contractor, sponsor or institution is involved, these should be nominated as well. If more than one person at a contracting firm or agency is responsible for the design and successful completion of the public outreach portion of the project, these should also be nominated. Use extra nomination forms if necessary.

V. Describe the Public Outreach Effort

(Open House, Educational Materials, Televised Coverage, Public Dig, Web Page, etc. Use additional pages if necessary.)

Under contract to the THC, CEI is working to assess proposed construction site(s) for a new visitor center at San Felipe de Austin. As part of this project, CEI has teamed with Carol Salva and the on-site manager, Bryan McAuley, to form the San Felipe de Austin Heritage Learning Project. The Heritage Learning Project works with various campuses and classrooms (K-12) from the Spring Branch Independent School District to involve students in authentic, problem-oriented learning opportunities.

The San Felipe de Austin Heritage Learning Project (SFdAHLP) provides content to teachers involved in thematic units. Regardless of their content area, educators are utilizing shared proposals, field methodologies, data, and ongoing analyses to involve their students with the project in real time. Educators determine how best to connect their grade level, content area TEKS (Texas Essentials for Knowledge and Skills) with the ongoing archaeological work at San Felipe. Many teachers have found value in connecting the real world application of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) concepts within a unit, project or lesson about the history and heritage of this important site.

Student input in the form of questions, suggestions for how to interpret data or where to conduct subsequent phases of fieldwork is authentically solicited. Project members commit to responding to this input by digital or written feedback, video interviews and correspondence, and in person visits to participating classrooms. Students recognize and immediately respond to the authentic participation, which has the effect of significantly increasing their enthusiasm for closing learning gaps.

As an example of problem-based learning, the SFdAHLP uses archaeology, at the birthplace of Texas independence in this case, to create excitement about learning, generally. The fact that the subject matter involves this important historical site means that students inevitably gain the benefit of learning something about archaeology and about Texas history. This outcome, while beneficial for Texas archaeology and preservation, is

secondary to the goals of heritage learning. These goals include instilling an appreciation in young learners for cultural connections between the past, present, and future; for thinking critically about problems encountered in everyday life and for finding meaningful solutions to these; and for building enthusiastic life-long learners who can enrich their communities in the future.

Content that is created during the course of the SFdAHLP is posted and archived in an open, freely accessible manner. A Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/SFdAHLP/ allows participants to receive updates about new topics, postings, and project developments. A Youtube channel http://bit.ly/YoutubeSFdAHLP hosts archived video content, including a series of Chronicles by project participants, related videos, digital correspondence and videos of positive outcomes of project participants. A Google website bit.ly/SFdAHLP contains lesson plans, project descriptions, archived documents and other content useful for teachers wishing to supplement their lesson plans and curricula.

A 4 minute example of student involvement can be found here: bit.ly/HeritageLearners

VI. Discuss Why the Nominee Deserves this Award

(What special initiatives did the nominees take to promote archeological awareness? What aspect of the effort is exceptional and achieves excellence? Use additional pages if necessary.)

Heritage learning combines two of the central goals of an informed, socially responsible, and critically applied archaeology: using the past to increase enthusiasm for learning and education, and instilling an appreciation for and openness to cultural perspectives and values. The SFdAHLP team has developed and applied this approach with inspiring successes in many classrooms across the Spring Branch ISD. Students, from 4th grade to high school, have accelerated their own learning using archaeological terms, techniques, methods, data, and topics. These results are not simply observed or anecdotally recorded by project members. We have used video as a way of allowing other audiences to observe learning progress and to hear first hand accounts about the impact of heritage learning from the students' own perspectives. Among the most inspiring accomplishments is Ms. Salva's work with middle school refugees, most of whom are previously unschooled in their native countries but who bring to their SBISD classrooms an international perspective and a strong desire to assimilate with and contribute to their communities. By using events at San Felipe that align with events in national and world history like revolution, fleeing war and conflict, democratic processes, the historical narrative of a territory gaining independence from a Colonial nation, these students are rapidly increasing their English fluency and literacy.

Accounts of the progress that refugee and other students are making every day are so compelling that Lohse and Salva were invited to present their work to the Spring quarterly meeting of the THC Commissioners. Following this presentation, the Chairman of the THC, Mr. John Nau, asked Lohse and Salva if they would make the same presentation to an April meeting of the Committee of Culture, Tourism, and Recreation of the Texas State Legislature. Ms. Salva recently discussed these accomplishments with a delegation of U.S. and African leaders that included the granddaughter of Nelson Mandela, the president-elect of the Democratic Republic of Congo, and Rep. Sheila Jackson-Lee. Afterwards, Ms. Jackson-Lee's staff immediately contacted Ms. Salva about sharing ideas for education reform. Simultaneously, Mr. Stephen Shorter, Executive Director of Student Instructional Services at SBISD has asked Ms. Salva to share input for more effective programming of refugee students across the SBISD.

To be sure, these accomplishments are the result of efforts and commitments by members of the SFdAHLP team (Salva, Lohse, McAuley, and Cruse) and participating educators in SBISD. More importantly, however, they illustrate the achievements that are possible when students are authentically engaged and invited to take ownership of their own educational process. Achievement gaps are closed at accelerated rates, and students demonstrate a sincere love and excitement for learning.

VII. Nomina	tor David O. Brown and Jon Lohse
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CTA Supports Multicultural Scholarships

TAS Multicultural Scholarship Committee

Due in large part to the generous donation from the Council of Texas Archeologists, the Texas Archeological Society (TAS) Multicultural Program Committee has awarded six scholarships to the TAS Annual Meeting and Archeology Academy. October 2015, Annual Meeting Diversity Scholarships were awarded to two deserving individuals. Kim Penrod is Director of the Caddo Nation Heritage Museum, Library, and Archives for the Caddo Nation of Oklahoma; she participated in a TXDOT symposium on tribal collaboration and outreach. Ashley Vance is an undergraduate student at St. Edwards University and a member of the Chickasaw Nation; she presented a paper on Andean mortuary practices. Ms. Vance had received a TAS Native American Field School Scholarship in 2014.

The Diversity subcommittee also awarded a scholarship for the TAS Geoarcheology Academy in March 2016. Rachel Marie Bush is a senior at Texas State University who is working on a double major in biology and anthropology. She hopes to be part of the growing role of women in the sciences. As a first generation American born of Cuban refugees, Ms. Bush was a worthy and excited participant in the Geoarcheology Academy, which gave her additional insights on the depth and range of the discipline of archeology.

Three Collegiate Scholarships also were awarded for the TAS Geoarcheology Academy. Lee Reissig is a graduate student at Texas State University, San Marcos. He is pursuing an M.A. in cultural anthropology, and working on a thesis comparing the history, development, and contemporary political



discourse of archeology in the U.S. (specifically Texas) and the U.K. (specifically England). Mr. Reissig plans to work in cultural resource management in the short term, and eventually obtain a Ph.D.

Amber Margraves has traveled a path not unfamiliar to many, originally majoring in business and then obtaining a B.A. in philosophy. She returned to Texas State University to earn a B.A. in anthropology. She has completed introductory classes in Texas and Southwestern archeology. She wanted to "immerse herself in a field experience to gain a better understanding of how archeologists operate." She anticipated that the TAS Academy would provide an understanding of how geology and archeology overlap in a direct, hands-on workshop.

The fourth Academy scholarship awardee was Alexandra (Alex) Smith of Baylor University. Ms. Smith intends to attend the TAS Field School in June as part of the requirements for her anthropology major, but hoped that the academy would allow her to "learn about a specific topic in archeology and simply gain more experience working in the field of archeology in general." Since she will be working in a rockshelter this summer during the Baylor field school, she hoped to gain a better understanding of how the soils, rock formations and strata come together to present a picture of the past.

Thanks for your support of these deserving individuals!

THC Reports

TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION UPDATE: NEW STAFF, NEW REGIONS, NEW REGIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

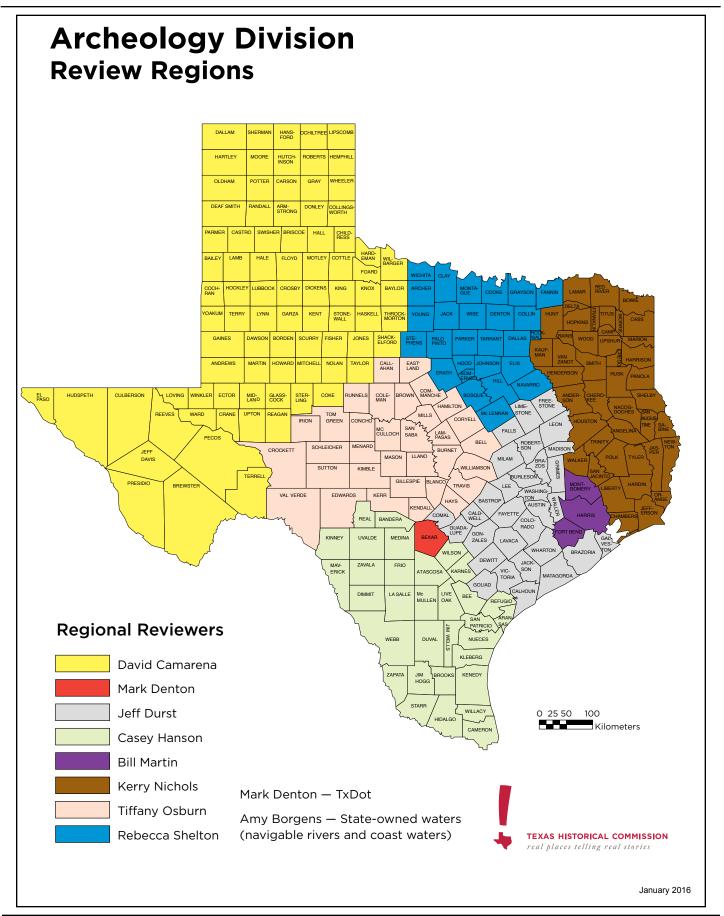
Patricia Mercado-Allinger Archeology Division Director & State Archeologist

I am very pleased to announce that we recently welcomed two new staff members to the Archeology Division (AD) team. Casey Hanson, a regional archeologist/reviewer, joined us in January. He has several years of cultural resource management experience in both the private and public sectors and was the 2015 recipient of the University of Texas at Austin's William S. Livingston Outstanding Graduate Student Outstanding Academic Employee Award (for Outstanding Teaching Assistant). Casey is completing work on his dissertation which focuses on late 18th and early 19th century cultural identity as represented at San Antonio sites. He will be responsible for state and federal reviews for a new (South Texas) region (see Figure 1; also found at http://www.thc.state.tx.us/public/upload/project_ review/ReviewRegions2016.pdf). In addition to his regional and project review duties, Casey will also be responsible for coordination of the Texas Archeology Month program.



Secondly, AD now has a much-needed marine archeologist/dive safety officer—Sarah Linden. She will assist State Marine Archeologist Amy Borgens with the Marine Archeology program. Sarah has investigated historic shipwrecks in the U.S. and abroad and has extensive dive experience. She will be a great help in the creation of a new AD dive program that will be in compliance with applicable federal regulations and industry standards.

As noted above, we have carved out a sixth project review region. Mark Denton will continue to review projects for the City of San Antonio and Bexar County while Bill Martin will handle project reviews for Fort Bend, Harris and Montgomery counties. To find the appropriate AD project reviewer, we recommend that you use the following link http://www.thc.state.tx.us/contact#contact_county to the THC website. Each county is listed with the reviewer name and contact information.



Announcements

Full Version of the Late Quaternary Historic Context in Northeastern Texas

Brill Bousman

I am happy to announce that Mike Collins and I have recently published the full version of our 1990 historic context done for a THC grant, called "Cultural Implications of Late Quaternary Environmental Change in Northeastern Texas," in the CRHR Research Reports series though SFAU. An abbreviated and dramatically cut version was published as "Michael B. Collins, C. Britt Bousman and Tim K. Perttula. 1993. Quaternary environments and archeology in northeastern Texas. In: Archeology in the Eastern Planning Region, Texas: a planning document, N. A. Kenmotsu and T. K. Perttula (eds.), Department of Antiquities Protection, Cultural Resource Management Report 3, p. 49-68, Austin: Texas Historical Commission." A link to the complete historic context is below:

http://scholarworks.sfasu.edu/crhr_research_reports/vol1/iss1/6/



New Archeology Blog

Linda Ellis

As a professional archeologist, my study of mankind has led me down some amazing paths and challenged me to see our world differently. My new educational website and blog will share some of the wonders I've discovered. I invite each of you to join me in the adventure. http://www.nurturethemind.com/

Texas Archeology Month Reports

CTA Public Outreach Grant Report

MARY CHRISTIAN BURLESON
HOMESTEAD COMMUNITY ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Mary Christian Burleson Preservation and Development Foundation

by Cristin Embree M.A., RPA

Council of Texas Archeologists The public outreach grant financed a series of community surveys at the Mary Christian Burleson Homestead site and an ongoing exhibit at the Elgin Depot Museum. This multifaceted public archeology project included research, education, outreach, use of social media and promotional flyers to connect with as many audiences as possible - youth, local community, and researchers. descendants efforts aimed at encouraging appreciation for archeology in Texas during Texas Archeology Month.





Hands-On History

DIG INTO ARCHAEOLOGY

Help Save

THE MARY CHRISTIAN BURLESON HOMESTEAD

In total, thirty participants donated over 150 hours to conduct intensive survey of the homestead site. Sessions included an introduction to historic archeology and archeological survey and concepts such context, preservation, looting, ethical practices, and federal and state antiquities laws. The enthusiasm and interest of the volunteers demonstrated the importance of preserving not only the historic building, but also the homestead's archeological deposits.

homestead's archeological deposits. An exhibit displayed at the Elain Depot Museum gave an estimated 200 visitors an opportunity to visualize the variety of archeology in the area. Displays included artifacts from the homestead site and a nearby prehistoric campsite to explore the material evidence of shared and connected local histories. The museum was fortunate to have on display a traveling exhibit on Quanah Parker. The exhibits together tied the story of the "The Last Comanche Chief" with the prehistoric site to illustrate a long and continuous occupation of American Indian groups in Elgin. Displays also highlighted Anglo and American Indian interactions during the 19th century, such as those documented between Mary Christian Burleson, her family neighboring tribes. Emphasis was placed on displays that illustrate the nonrenewable nature of the archeological record and increase awareness of issues impacting sites. The aim was to advocate for preservation of sites which provide one of the only avenues to understanding the diverse cultures that once called Texas home.

Archeological research at Mary Christian Burleson Homestead greatly benefited from the CTA's assistance, THC Archeological Steward Nick Morgan, archeologists and non-professionals community members, all who have come forward to offer their support. Collaborative efforts such as this are essential, not only for the preservation of the Mary Christian Burleson homestead site and the promotion of its history, but for the protection of Texas' often hidden archeological heritage.



Artifacts from the west side of the house

CTA PUBLIC OUTREACH GRANT REPORT

EL PASO MUSEUM OF ARCHAEOLOGY

The El Paso Museum of Archaeology hosted three free events in honor of Texas Archaeology Month. Our programming was developed with the intention of exposing the citizens of El Paso to the science of archaeology. The importance of these programs was rooted in bringing a sense of appreciation of Texas' great archaeological resources. In order to ensure that we reached a large audience, we held one activity in the El Paso Archaeological Society Laboratory and two activities at the Downtown Farmer's Market. Every Saturday the Downtown Farmer's Market has roughly 900 visitors from the El Paso area.

Our first activity held at the Farmer's Market was called "Stratigraphy Jars". Our objective for this activity was to educate participants about how soil and artifacts are deposited over



time and how archaeologists use those patterns to collect data. Each participant was given a mason jar and had to follow the stratigraphy pattern while filling their jar with color-coded sand. Each color of sand corresponded with a particular time period form El Paso's archaeological record. All participants were able to keep their completed jar as a souvenir.

The second activity was also held at the Downtown Farmer's Market. This activity was a "Table-top excavation" visitors where were encouraged to use paint brushes uncover elaborately painted



pieces of pottery and reconstruct them with the help

of museum volunteers and interns.

Our final activity was designed for older audiences. We hosted El Paso Archaeological Society member



William Luther as he led a Mimbres pottery making workshop. This activity attracted people of all skill levels to mold, sculpt, and paint their very own Mimbresinspired vessel.

With the support from the Texas Archaeology Month grant, we were able to include new audiences in our archaeological education programming thus increasing the public's interest in archaeology. In addition to engaging the public, our programming created opportunities for local college students to serve our community and learn about the science of archaeology. The El Paso Museum of Archaeology is incredibly appreciative of the support we have received from the Council of Texas Archaeologists and we hope to continue to inspire our community's interest in archaeology.



TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY CENTRAL TEXAS AND FORT HOOD DPW CULTURAL RESOURCES AWARDED CTA PUBLIC OUTREACH GRANT

Killeen, Texas – Texas A&M University Central Texas (TAMUCT) was recently awarded the Council of Texas Archeologists Public Outreach grant of \$500 to aid in hosting its first archaeology fair event during 2015 Texas Archaeology Month. The purpose of the grant is to encourage and promote public awareness of archaeology in Texas through a variety of educational and outreach activities. On Thursday, October 8, Texas A&M University Central Texas joined in partnership with the Fort Hood Director of Public Works-Cultural Resources Branch to celebrate prehistoric archaeology in Texas at the Central Texas Archaeology Fair. A&M-Central Texas faculty,

staff, student volunteers and Fort Hood archaeologists provided handson activities and interactive demonstrations for children and adults.

"The purpose of the fair was to educate the community about archaeology in



Texas in an interactive and engaging way. We wanted visitors to be able to see and touch the tools that were actually used thousands of years ago." Dr. Christine Jones, assistant professor of Anthropology and Criminal Justice at TAMUCT, said. "The archaeology fair was a great way to highlight the exceptional archaeological heritage of Central Texas and at the same time educate the community on how we can best protect

and preserve archaeological resources for future generations."

Activities and demonstrations at this public event included: stone-tool making demonstrations, spear throwing activity and demonstrations, prehistoric artifact displays, a create-your-own Rock Art activity and a play excavation activity for young children. This event was sponsored by TAMUCT and Fort Hood Director of Public

Works-Cultural R e s o u r c e s Branch and was free and open to the c o m m u n i t y. The event was successful and well attended by the public.



But wait! There is one more TAM Report at the back of this newsletter. Be sure to check it out.

Student Research Grant Report

CTA Student Research Grant Summary Report Converging Lines of Evidence: Protein Residues from Clovis Stone Tools

Ashley K. Lemke

The first occupants of the Americas, Paleoindians, have been a significant research interest for archaeologists for hundreds of years. While many components of Paleoindian lifeways are well understood, such as their hunting technology using large fluted stone points, other aspects of their culture such as their diet and economy are less clear. Among Paleoindians, the diets of Clovis hunter-gatherers have been a topic of great debate – were these people big-game hunters eating mostly mammoth and bison, or did they have a broader diet of plants, smaller animals, and large game? This is the research question I have been investigating at the Gault site, in central Texas.

Like many Clovis sites, there are few bones preserved at Gault – and those that are found are highly weathered and fragmented. Despite this small faunal assemblage many species of animals have been identified from the Clovis layers, including turtle, rabbit, bird, bison, horse, deer, antelope, and mammoth. While these bones hint toward a broad diet consisting of many animals – further studies were necessary to demonstrate that these animals were actually eaten as opposed to being part of the paleontological "background noise."

In order to demonstrate that the animals were used by Clovis foragers, I have analyzed the Gault Clovis bones to look for distinctive cutmarks and burning that would indicate butchering and cooking – both of which are found on the Gault bones. In addition, spatial analyses indicate that the bones of these animals are found very close to Clovis stone tools.



These traditional zooarchaeological methods all indicated that Clovis hunter-gatherers likely ate most of these animals.

To further confirm these results – and given the limitation of the fragmentary zooarchaeological sample – Gault researchers including Michael Collins, Linda Perry, and myself, have turned to the very large and impressive collection of Clovis stone tools to consider subsistence economies at Gault. Two new analyses were conducted, looking for starch grains blood residue in/on the stone tools.

A preliminary sample of stone tools identified several starch grains which were preserved in the sediment embedded in flakes. These grains were from grasses (similar to wildrye and barley) and roots. The root starch grains also displayed evidence of cutting and grinding. These results first demonstrated proof of concept, that starch grains are preserved on the Gault Clovis stone tools, and secondly, this small sample consists of many different kinds of plants which were likely utilized and part of the diet.

Blood residue analyses were possible given the generous support from the CTA. Although the cost of these analyses is considerable – blood reside provides direct evidence of butchering behaviors and can identify different animals down to the genus. Six Clovis stone tools were analyzed from Protien Residue/CIEP (cross-over immunoelectrophoresis)

at the PaleoResearch Institute in Colorado. Of these six tools, 4 tested positive for protein residues. Three Clovis blades has intact proteins, one tested positive for bison, one for horse, and one for pronghorn antelope. In addition one overshot/outrepassé flake (a distinctive type of flake which is very common in Clovis lithic reduction) tested positive for bison.

Together, these analyses demonstrated that protein residues on stone tools can be used as an additional, independent line of evidence for demonstrating the utilization of different animal resources. These results fit well with the zooachaeological assemblage at Gault, which includes many bison and horse bones, but just a single antelope tooth. By itself this tooth did not prove that Clovis hunters preyed on antelope as there were no cutmarks and it was not burned – however, this tooth combined with the antelope blood on a Clovis blade conclusively demonstrates that antelope was on the Clovis menu. This is the only known incidence of Clovis peoples hunting and eating pronghorn antelope.

The generous support provides by the CTA Student Research Grant allowed me to conduct a new analytical technique that had never been applied to the Gault site collection – blood residue. In order for blood residue to be conducted, stone tools cannot be handled for a long period of time and cannot be washed – these special considerations are important for avoiding contamination. Several dozens of additional stone tools were collected under these conditions from two small excavations I conducted at the Gault site. These tools are likely to yield additional blood residue – and perhaps preserve evidence of animals whose bones did not survive at Gault.

While Clovis diets surely varied between different sites and across different regions – evidence for Gault can provide a comprehensive study of a Clovis diet at a certain place and time. Gault is a large Clovis campsite where these hunter-gatherers likely lived for most of the year. Many plant and animals resources were available nearby, as well as

fresh water and an outcrop of high quality Edwards Chert – these factors made Gault such an attractive place that foragers have lived at the site for at least 14,000 years.

Gault is an extremely significant site in Texas prehistory—and provides an unprecedented window for archaeologists interested in hunter-gatherers. I am extremely grateful for the support provided by the CTA—such support and continued interest in research sheds light on the unique and important archaeological record in Texas.

Ashley Lemke is a doctoral candidate at the University of Michigan. She received her BA degree from the University of Texas at Austin and has been involved in the Gault project since 2008. Lemke plans to defend her dissertation this year and will continue her research on Paleoindian hunter-gatherers both on land and underwater.

Dear Ms. Green,

The purpose of my writing is to inquire about the potential interest the Council of Texas Archeologists (CTA) may have in becoming an Affiliated Society of the Register of Professional Archaeologists (RPA)? Based on the CTA focus on the professional archeological community in Texas, it seemed a most fitting organization to contact. For your consideration, please find a PDF with information on the Affiliated Societies program attached to this message, and a list of current Affiliated Societies at the following link: http://rpanet.org/?page=AffiliatedSocieties.

Thank you for your time and consideration of the RPA Affiliated Societies program, and please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments you may have regarding the program.

Respectfully,

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Beau DeBoer, MA, RPA Staff Archaeologist brdeboer@crai-ky.com

The Affiliated Societies Program

The Board of the Register of Professional Archaeologists approved an affiliated societies program for the Register at the January, 2015 Board meeting. That program would be open to state level archaeological professional councils, state archaeological societies, and regional, national, and international archaeological societies. The basic requirements for becoming an affiliated society will be for the society to embrace the Register's Code of Conduct and Standards of Research Performance as their own statement on ethics, and payment of an annual fee to the Register that is based on the size of their membership. The following fees will apply:

Societies with 1-250 members, \$100 per year.

Societies with 251-499 members, \$250 per year

Societies with 500 or more members, \$500 per year.

Members of affiliated societies who are not affiliated with one of the four supporting societies (Society for Historical Archaeology, Society for American Archaeology, American Anthropological Association, or the Archaeological Institute of America) will be eligible for an annual registration fee of \$75. That is a \$50 savings over the normal unaffiliated fee.

When a society becomes affiliated with the Register in 2015, all society members who are applying for the first time and meet the registration requirements of the Register of Professional Archaeologists, are eligible for the annual registration fee of \$75. All society members who are already registered as unaffiliated registrants will be able to take advantage of the \$75 annual fee in 2016.

To become an affiliated society, please send a copy of a board resolution that your society will embrace the Register Code of Conduct and Standards of Research Performance, a copy of your bylaws, and a list of your officers and members. Those documents will be forwarded to the Register of Professional Archaeologist's Registrar for action.

If you have questions about this program, please contact Patrick H. Garrow, RPA, President of the Register, at p_garrow@hotmail.com, or call him at 865.548.8802.

Fall 2015 CTA Meeting Minutes

Registration - 8:30 am Call to Order - 9:10 am

Announcements

There were no announcements.

Approval of Minutes, Fall 2015 Meeting

There was a change to Laura's name in Multicultural Affairs presented by Carolyn Spock section. Mark Denton motioned for the amended minutes to be accepted. The motion was seconded. Membership voted and passed.

Officers' Reports

President (Missi Green): This was a quiet summer for CTA business. The role of the CTA President on the Antiquities Advisory Board has been brought up. The new president of the board will not assume the post until April, which leaves a gap between the new president and old president. Missi nominated herself to fill the gap to serve on the board until the end of April. She asked for people to contact her if there are any concerns.

MIssi touched on the MAP project. The project has had great momentum and we are still ahead of other states. Missi is trying to get it all pulled together before SAAs, but it definitely will not happen by the SHAs. The busy schedule during the summer stalled the momentum, but still moving forward. The plan is to have a 10 min video by SAAs.

Past President (Rachel Feit): Rachel had nothing to report.

Vice President (Reign Clark): Reign brought up the deficit for the social. CTA only budgets \$525 for social but the bill was \$1800. Donors came forward to help cover the charges. Thank you for the companies that came together to donate. Donors provided \$2300. All of the donors were to be listed on a placard at the social.

Secretary (Kristi Miller Nichols): As of the beginning of September, CTA only had a membership count of 172 this year. Our membership consists of 7 students, 126 professionals, and 39 contractors. Our numbers are down from a total of 236 memberships in 2014, so let's try to get those renewals in for the 2016 year. Membership and contractors listings are way down again. We budget each year for a certain amount of members and contractors to be able to bring in enough revenue to operate. This year, we are below our budgeted numbers and may need to look at ways of bringing in more memberships. Please renew and please encourage people to join.

Treasurer (Carole Leezer): As of September 22, 2015, our checking account contains \$8,504.88, the money market account contains \$18,909.70, and our scholarship fund contains \$9,022.54. Carole will be stepping down as CTA Treasurer, officially at the close of the Spring CTA Meeting. We will be looking for replacement nominations.

Newsletter Editor (Mindy Bonine): Mindy was not present, but there were several comments on how well the newsletter looked this season.

Mindy also plans to step down as Newletter Editor in the Spring 2016. If you would like to volunteer to be nominated, please contact Bill Martin.

Agency Reports

Texas Historical Commission (Pat Mercado-Allinger): THC is entering the 21st century with a beta project review electronic submission. Commissioners want this to happen as much as the archaeologists.

A couple of job postings are going up for THC. THC is trying to recapturing a couple positions lost during budget costs. One is for a terrestrial review. THC is going to reconfigure regions. The second is for a marine to help Amy Borgens.

Updates on LaBelle: Interim exhibit is still at the Bullock Museum. Hull is pretty much reconstructed and has been moved to the permanent location. This is the beginning of the permanent exhibit that will launch next year. You will be able to view from above.

THC will be reinvigorating the Texas Preservation Trust Fund. We were able to give \$71,886 in grants to archaeological projects. Some was for curatorial work. We don't have a deadline for the next round of grants. TPTF is on the website, so please check.

THC has hired an Atlas coordinator. There is a global effort, for both the Archaeology and Historic versions of Atlas. We have seen improvements in the public version. Work is ongoing in Archaeology. The State Registrar adopted a new code to the Health and Safety Law. Instituted in the rule was the law and what was required of the State Registrar. The State Registrar needs to issue permits to the archaeologists and they are starting to do that. A guidance document will be put on the website. Jenny McWIlliams is a good source to contact.

Mark Wolfe found an obscure state law that affects the permits. The law tries to keep track of permits. State agencies need to publish rules about their system about issuing permits. The timeline for reviewing a permit application starts when an application is submitted. Then a permit is denied or given; a 30 day period. This affects contractors when you have trouble getting a signature or something similar. THC will email if a permit was denied. This hasn't been done in the past. If it does happen: regroup, resubmit, and you will hear in two weeks if permit application was completed or it will be denied.

Texas Parks and Wildlife (Michael Strutt): Ina Dodge spoke for TPWD. Ina talked about the fire in Bastrop. An in-house survey team will assess damage from fire. The quick assessment noted some damage. At this time the rough estimate of damage is 9.2 acres.

There is a position available in the curatorial area. The position will focus on interpretive collections and mostly historic items. The position is online now.

Texas Department of Transportation (Scott Pletka): Scott spoke about the status of contracting and the Spring issue of RFP. He mentioned that it will pretty much the same as before. Helpful Tip: use the Atlas heavily for verification of qualifications. If you find that projects you intend to use are not on the Atlas, please get information to the Atlas with enough time to get posted. Make sure it is all documented early.

TxDOT has some new outreach efforts. Some of them will be highlighted during this weekend's conference. Check out exhibit booth because we will be exhibiting artifacts from past projects. Giving away some past reports free. TxDOT is asking people to fill out a survey when you stop by the booth. Completing the survey puts you in raffle for complete volumes of Wilson Leonard.

Questions concerning TxDOT forms and reports were brought up. The PCR form died in 2009. Write a background study in lieu of PCR. The checklist is in the toolkit, so reference that for help.

Currently, TxDOT has renegotiated the MOA, but it is sitting in the Governor's office. They are working out procedures for signing. There will be a major change when it's in effect. The list of projects that need no consultation has changed slightly.

Texas Archeological Research Laboratory (Jonathan Jarvis): TARL will be releasing new rates as soon as the campus finalizes them.

Archaeology end of the Atlas is not being updated quickly. It's about a year out of date. If you need

information concerning sites not on the Atlas, please contact him.

If you need to do anything unconventional, please let them know up front. There is some guidelines in place that help to make the process easier. Contact Marybeth if you want to see collections to study.

It was asked if there will there be a grace period for rate changes. Jonathan answered that there may be some grace period to work with clients on existing contracts.

Standing Committee Reports

Auditing (Mark Denton): Mark had nothing to report. They were not scheduled to meet for a while.

CTA Communications (Mindy Bonine): Not present.

Contractors List (Shelly Fischbeck): Shelly has a new email: SLFischbeck@hotmail.com.

Curation (Marybeth Tomka): Marybeth had nothing to report.

Governmental Affairs (Nesta Anderson): Nesta had nothing to report.

Multicultural Relations (Mary Jo Galindo): The newsletter article by Margaret Howard discussed the fieldschool scholarship recipients. The Diversity Subcommittee awarded two scholarships to attend TAS fieldschool.

Nominating (Bill Martin): Bill asked if we needed to appoint him. Missi noted that will be attended to that in new business.

Public Education (David Brown): David had nothing to report.

Special Committee Reports

Academic Archeology and CRM (Todd Ahlman): Todd had nothing to report. It's been a busy summer so will he will be back at it in the fall.

Anti-Looting Committee (Jeffery Hanson): Not present.

History (Doug Boyd): Jon Lohse found cassette tapes of first CTA meetings. Going to work on digitizing them.

Membership (Haley Rush): Not present.

Old Business

Nothing to report.

New Business

Missi nominated Bill Martin for the Nominating Committee. CTA needs new candidates for Treasurer, President, and Newsletter Editor. Four members for the committee for the Nominating Committee were needed. Ina Dodge, Marie Archambeault, Ross, and Rich volunteered. They were voted in by the membership.

Another issue brought up was the line Item for budget-CTA social: \$525 doesn't cut it. There is a need to increase the line item in the budget. It was proposed for a \$1200 line item increase for the social budget. Members asked why not let contractors pay for the tables? Members were reminded that the 2016 budget already accepted. To account for the shortage, CTA will pay from savings for 2016. The increase will add to 2017 budget. An Ad hoc committee will look at issue of the Social costs.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made and seconded. The membership voted and the motion carried.

Meeting Adjourns - 10:03 am

2014-2015 Budget vs Actuals, 2016 Budget & Proposed 2017

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INCOME (2015 Actuals)										
Individual Memberships (133-\$30 + 13-\$15)	\$	4,200.00	\$	4,395.00	\$	4,000.00	\$	4,185.00	\$	4,000.00
Student Memberships (5-\$15 + 3-\$25)	\$	150.00	\$	235.00	\$	180.00	\$	150.00	\$	180.00
Contractor Listing Fees (39-\$125)	\$	7,500.00	\$	7,250.00	\$	7,500.00	\$	4,875.00	\$	7,500.00
Individual Membership PayPal Fees (74-\$1.00)	\$	75.00	\$	75.00	\$	65.00	\$	74.00	\$	65.00
Student Membership PayPal Fees(4-\$1.00)	\$	5.00	\$	8.00	\$	5.00	\$	4.00	\$	5.00
Contractor Listing PayPal Fees (22-\$4.00)	\$	100.00	\$	96.00	\$	110.00	\$	88.00	\$	110.00
Checking Interest	\$	1.35	\$	1.10	\$	0.90	\$	1.07	\$	0.90
Money Market Interest	\$	3.75	\$	3.77	\$	3.75	\$	3.77	\$	3.75
Scholarship Fund Interest	\$	100.00	\$	1.74	\$	0.75	\$	1.79	\$	0.75
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GENERAL EXPENDITURES										
Administrative Costs	\$	50.00	\$	79.98	\$	100.00	\$	-	\$	100.00
Web Page Registration (bi-annual fee)	\$	60.00	\$	-	\$	60.00	\$	=	\$	60.00
Spring Meeting/Social Expenses	\$	800.00	\$	888.15	\$	800.00	\$	582.46	\$	800.00
Fall TAS/CTA Social	\$ \$	525.00 175.00	\$ \$	525.00 211.09	\$	525.00 190.00	\$ \$	2,295.80 201.06	\$ \$	525.00 190.00
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TOTAL GENERAL EXPENDITURES	\$	1,910.00	\$	1,996.41	\$	1,775.00	\$	3,079.32	\$	1,775.00
COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES										
Curation Committee	\$	50.00	\$	_	\$	25.00	\$	_	\$	25.00
Governmental Affairs	\$	100.00	\$	_	\$	50.00	\$	-	\$	50.00
Membership	\$	100.00	\$	-	\$	50.00	\$	-	\$	50.00
Multicultural Relations	\$	50.00	\$	-	\$	25.00	\$	-	\$	25.00
Public Education	\$	100.00	\$	-	\$	50.00	\$	-	\$	50.00
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Archeological Conservancy	\$	500.00	\$	500.00	\$	500.00	\$	500.00	\$	500.00
CTA Scholarship Grant TAAM Event Grants (divided among 5 applicants)	\$ \$	2,400.00 2,500.00	\$ \$	2,400.00 1,000.00	\$ \$	2,400.00 2,500.00	\$ \$	2,400.00 2,500.00	\$ \$	2,400.00 2,500.00
TAS Research Support Fund	\$	300.00	\$	300.00	\$	300.00	\$	300.00	\$	300.00
Texas Beyond History	\$	2,000.00		2,000.00	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000.00	- 1	2,000.00
TAS Multicultural Program	\$		\$	2,100.00	\$	2,100.00		2,100.00	\$	2,100.00
TOTAL DONATIONS		\$9,800.00		\$8,300.00	\$	9,800.00	\$	9,800.00	\$	9,800.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	12,160.00	\$	10,296.41	\$	11,800.00	\$	12,879.32	\$	11,800.00
OVERALL BALANCE	\$	75.10	\$	1,849.20	\$	165.40	\$	(1,763.69)	\$	165.40

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Search for CTA_org in Yahoo! Groups, and request to join. The group administrator receives a message asking for approval, which they will grant if you are a CTA member. You will then receives notice that you have been approved. This method enables group members to access the webpage for CTA_org, look at the calendar, change their settings, review old messages, etc., as well as send and receive messages. It does require a Yahoo! ID, but is the easiest

For those that absolutely DO NOT want to create a Yahoo! ID, there is one more way to join. This method involves the group administrator adding the person to the group manually. In this case

the requestor will receive an e-mail welcoming them to the group, and provides e-mail addresses to post messages and to unsubscribe. If this choose method, you can

only post messages via the e-mail address and receive copies of messages sent to the group, You will not be able to

change their settings (such as requesting a daily digest of messages), nor will you be able to access the webpage for the group. This method of joining can only be used to send and receive messages, nothing else. If this method is your choice, e-mail ebony2071@yahoo.com

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group ebony2071@ yahoo.com and ask to join. They will then send you an invitation to join the group, which side-steps the approval process and you can join automatically. This method also enables group members to access the webpage for CTA_org, look at the calendar, change their settings, review old messages, etc., as well as send and receive messages. This method requires a Yahoo! ID, but is also a very convenient way to join.

Council of Texas Archeologists

2016 Membership and Renewal Form

Return to: Council of Texas Archeologists c/o Kristi Nichols Raba Kistner Environmental 12821 W. Golden Lane San Antonio, TX 78249

Address correction only (see below)	
I wish to join CTA.	
I wish to renew my membership in CTA	
Company/Contractor to be listed (Company listing also requires one of the following professional categories:)	\$125.00
Professional (annual income more than \$20,000 per year)	\$30.00
Professional (annual income less than \$20,000 per year)	\$15.00
Student (annual income more than \$20,000 per year)	\$25.00
Student (annual income less than \$20,000 per year)	\$15.00
Contractor listing late fee (assessed after Spring Meeting)	\$16.00
Donation to	\$
Total amount remitted to CTA \$	
Automatically add my email to the CTA_org Yahoo Groups Listserve.	
Name (please print):	
Company/Institution:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Phone: e-mail:	

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The Chappell Hill Historical Society is very grateful for the generous \$500.00 grant to support our exhibit for Texas Archaeology Month. The exhibit, "The Search for the Community at Cedar Creek" was very popular, with over 300 visitors viewing the exhibit over the month that it was displayed. It was in enough demand that we kept the exhibit open for an extra two weeks.

The bulk of the dispersed funds went to printing the interpretive signage for the exhibit, which we had printed on vinyl fabric so that aspects of the exhibit, such as definitions of archaeology, sections on ethics, and how to get involved with public archaeology may be re-used in future years.

The remaining funds were used to prepare the exhibit cases for the artifacts and to advertise the event in social media.

Exhibit Expense:	Cost:
Printing Interpretive Panels	\$400.75
Paint for exhibit cases	\$50.71
Facebook Advertising	\$50.00

The events consisted of a preview on September 22nd for our Membership Meeting, with the artifacts on display and a lecture by Dr. John Griggs, archaeologist involved in the search for the Community at Cedar Creek. The rest of the exhibit was installed and opened on October 7th and was on display until November 17th. The numbers of visitors are approximate because October 10th & 11th was our Scarecrow Festival, and we had a large number of visitors over that weekend.

With Gratitude,

Christine Hoffman

Museum Director, Chappell Hill Historical Society Museum



The Search for the Community at Cedar Creek Chappell Hill Historical Society October 7 - November 14, 2015









