



2004 CTA Spring Meeting

Details to be announced

**Presidents' Forum**

*Clell L. Bond*

There are always three concerns expressed at a CTA gathering — the status of our membership growth or lack thereof, the latest standards or requirements of the Texas Historical Commission (THC) and who is going to buy the drinks at the end of the meeting. Regarding the first, I was privileged to be included in an e-mail exchange between some members of the Membership Committee and, after making a comment about volunteerism, received the following response:

*What IS the value of the CTA? How many members CAN explain [the value]? I felt abandoned by the CTA when, as a student member, the plan for professionals to mentor students was never carried through. With so many of the pros under constant pressure to produce — finish up yesterday — it is the rare individual who manages to squeeze out time from their lives for CTA activity (unless their company is willing to provide time/\$ to do so).*

The statement about abandonment particularly troubled me; yet I suspect it is terribly true. When it comes to welcoming new members into the fold our own worst enemy is ourselves.

Regrettably, this is not only a problem for CTA, but also the whole of the archeology profession. Once the student leaves the university system where he or she may have had a mentor, they enter a cold world of competing businesses and agencies, each with its own agenda and rules of conduct and that seem to be controlled by a relatively few old-timers. Look at the CTA membership at any meeting and it does appear to be dominated by the less than young. If we want to strengthen the commitment of younger and less experienced members it is up to the established professionals to offer their experience, guidance and contacts to those who want to prosper in the field. I am not talking about simply making idle chitchat at the CTA spring social. We need a plan and a commitment to mentor our newer members on a continuing basis throughout the year, to ensure that they see all the opportunities that the profession and CTA have to offer. I am hopeful that we will have an open and strong

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discussion of this issue at the spring meeting, and that the Membership Committee will have some options for us to consider.

The mention of the Membership Committee brings up another point that was brought to my attention by the author of the above statement about abandonment. Obviously from the e-mail trail there is activity among some of the members of that committee. Unfortunately that is not true of all CTA committees. One example was provided of a member who had volunteered to be on a committee, had a strong interest in the committee's work, and yet was never contacted by the committee chair. There is a lot variation in the activity levels of CTA committees. Some of the committees have a very limited charge and their activity levels are timed to CTA meeting schedules. Some committees have accomplished the goal for which they were originally established or now have a different objective than their original charter. In a few cases the committee chair does all the work without reliance on fellow members. In all cases we need to strengthen our committees and increase inter-committee communication. Committee chairs and members need to communicate amongst themselves and the larger membership. Our committees are a perfect way to further introduce, involve and mentor some of our newer members in Texas Archeology and the CTA.

Similar to congressional redistricting in Texas, the certification of repositories for held-in-trust collections is here. It took a couple of years, but the THC and its commissioners managed to steamroll in, without a whole lot of regard for most of the repositories or the state's cultural resource professionals, some new and complicated requirements for the curation of collections that will be acquired under Texas Antiquities Permits. The first response to the new rules was an increase in fees at the Texas Archeological Research Laboratory. The second is likely to be the inclusion of no or limited collection requests by archeologists who submit Texas Antiquity Permit applications. At this point there is probably not much the CTA can do about the increase in curation fees. The no collection option is very likely to spur some contentious discussion and debate at our spring meeting.

I hope you will be in attendance at the spring meeting to share in the collection discussion as well as the discussion on other important issues in Texas archeology. Additional details about the spring meeting will provided in our next newsletter. As always the meeting will be followed by a social with CTA buying food and drink.

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## *Officer's Reports*

*Missi Green*

### *SECRETARY-TREASURER REPORT*

DUES FOR 2004 ARE NOW DUE! The membership drive and renewals for 2004 is now open! Dues can be paid over the Internet through PayPal at paypal.com and treasurer@ctx-arch.org as the recipient, or the old fashioned way with a check. No matter which way you renew or join, please send me a membership form or email noting any changes to your information (address, email address, phone numbers, organization). The forms can be found as the last page of the newsletter or under the Student membership button on the web page. I look forward to being inundated with memberships and renewals.

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*Andy Malof*

### *NEWSLETTER EDITOR REPORT*

As newsletter editor I have the luxury of demanding materials from persons, waiting around till something arrives, reviewing it, and then putting it into some sort of rationalized space. At some point during the process, I place a few words together and call it the Newsletter

Editor's Report. What follows are these few, somewhat random, thoughts.

Chances are readers will notice this particular issue of the newsletter is significantly lighter (weight-wise) than any I have previously presented. I do not know exactly why this is the case, but I have some ideas. To begin with, there is the "busy" excuse. I am personally invoking this one this time around. I was busy (really!) and did not have the time or energy to pester folks to submit reports or other items of interest. If a couple of email reminders did not suffice, well, it wasn't getting done. As you can see, it didn't.

Another reason might be burnout. I have previously discussed the three times yearly schedule. I would still argue it's cumbersome, and would suggest either biting the bullet and going quarterly, or, more reasonably, making it a biannual publication. By allowing the newsletter to both summarize the last meeting and announce the next, I think more continuity in ideas and issues could be maintained. Of course, some of these issues will have been resolved or otherwise taken care of in that length of time, but that happens all the time anyway. Which leads me to my last point.

Both Clell and Kerri address a common and recurrent theme, that of lack of involvement and difficulties in communication. Clell mentions a discussion between members of the Membership Committee, and Kerri laments a lack of response for a simple request for feedback. As seems to be the long-standing case, these issues will come to light here in the newsletter, and perhaps four months from now at the next meeting. Once more, I argue that establishing a Listserv for CTA membership would aid in keeping these ideas in the forefront. Apparently the mechanism is

in place, it only needs to be activated. Some complaints were made about the amount of work it might take, especially the aspect of moderation. It seems to me that a group of this size, with basically similar interests and goals, should not require a moderated list. Should discussions degenerate into where to get the best chicken fried goat, who's the biggest idiot on the block, or some other such nonsense, then the list could be moderated or discontinued. But, for updates on such things as Committee movements or requests for assistance, THC news, and similar items, I think a list could be a valuable resource.

There have been repeated calls for establishing some sort of network for linking "field techs" (I call them archaeologists) with prospective employers. A Listserv could easily accomplish half that mission. As only members can subscribe, only members would receive timely information from prospective employers. This would also eliminate the need to update any type of web page. As for the other half of the equation, I speak of what I know little about, but think that an upload section could be developed that would allow prospective employees to post their resumes. One way could be to link to a Yahoo Groups page. It would be free and require very little setup. The only maintenance would be for someone (I suggest the newsletter editor) to periodically contact those persons who have posted to be sure their information is current. If they cannot be contacted, their information is removed.

So, with that said, I have effectively proposed increasing the duties of the next newsletter editor. I was told when I took the job that it typically takes about two years to get into the swing of things. I think I may be getting the hang of it.

## Committee Reports

*Kerri Barile, Chair*

### MULTICULTURAL CULTURAL RELATIONS

The fall initiatives for the Multicultural Committee comprised a request for new committee members and, well, another request for new committee members. At the recent CTA meeting in Ft. Worth, I read the 2001 committee roster and asked for those folks to contact me about whether or not they wished to remain on the committee. I also asked for anyone interested in joining the committee to let me know. The response has been a bit underwhelming, as I have received a total of zero responses.

The 2001 Multicultural Committee included Alston Thoms, Dorothy Lippert, Margaret Howard, Tim Perttula, Paul Maslyk, Jack Keller, Bob Skiles, Chris Lintz, Ann Scott, and David Charmichael. I know that several people on this list have left Texas and others aren't even in archaeology any more, but if you know the whereabouts of any of these people (or your name was just listed here), please contact me at [kbarile@swca.com](mailto:kbarile@swca.com).

More importantly, as I am currently a committee of one, there is ample room for growth. If you are interested in any sort of multicultural issue, such as tribal consultation, descendent community work, or oral history projects, this is the committee for you. Whether you specialize in the prehistoric or historic period or regions anywhere from Brownsville to El Paso, almost all of us deal with multicultural issues in our work every day. This is one of the few forums we have to discuss these topics and share our experiences in this area. Please e-mail me, Clell Bond ([clbond@pbsj.com](mailto:clbond@pbsj.com)), or Kevin Miller ([kmiller@swca.com](mailto:kmiller@swca.com)) if you have an interest in joining the committee. Besides, you don't want me to dictate the progress of an entire committee; all of that 'power' might go to my head...

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## CTA Fall 2003 Meeting Minutes Fort Worth, Texas 24 October 2003, 11:15 am

The Fall meeting of CTA was called to order by President Clell Bond at 11:15 am who announced that some changes in the scheduled agenda would be made due to some other TAS meetings arranged at the same time or overlapping this meeting. There will be no papers this afternoon as previously announced, but the roundtable session would still take place. A cash bar would follow and CTA has agreed to pay for half the snacks served. He also announced a correction to the newsletter Committee reports, stating the Kerri Barile would be the Chair of the Multicultural Committee.

In the remaining portion of his President's Report, Clell reported that the membership recently lost member Jeremy Pine, a student who was to graduate this December from UT in Austin. He also reported on the Antiquities Advisory Board meeting held in Amarillo. There were not enough attendees for a quorum so no votes were taken, though there was plenty of discussion on several points, including curation final documentation and the use of GIS layers by engineering firms. These issues will be discussed later in the meeting.

A special thank you and announcement was made by Margaret Howard at this point in the meeting since she was having to leave for another meeting. She thanked CTA for its generous donation to the Native American Field School Scholarship and reported that there were 5 participants making it a very successful response. The TAS would like to ask for another contribution for next year, and possibly a slightly higher amount (\$1,000). One question from the membership was "Would the scholarship be opened to a more multi-cultural group?" Margaret stated that TAS is looking into supporting a larger multi-cultural group and has a Multi-cultural committee looking into it.

President Elect Kevin Miller is still learning the ropes and had nothing to report.

The Secretary-Treasurer's report included handing out copies of the expenditures from 2003 and the proposed budget for 2004 for

the membership's review. The budget will be discussed and voted on at the Spring meeting. In addition, an accounting review was made: \$11,123.99 is in the checking account, \$8,699.70 is in the Money Market account, and \$6,750.00 is in the Scholarship Endowment Fund account. A reminder that dues are for the calendar year beginning in January was made, with the promise that e-mail notices would go out around Thanksgiving and again at the end of December.

Newsletter Editor Andy Malof apologized for the few errors made in the current newsletter and offered to the membership that we possibly reenergize the list serve.

Clell asked that the membership approve the minutes of the Spring meeting as they appear in the newsletter. It was so moved, seconded with no discussion, and passed through unanimous vocal vote.

### Committee Reports

*Governmental Affairs:* Chair Eric Schroeder was not in attendance but sent a verbal report that most of the issues he spoke about at the Spring meeting had died in discussion in the legislature. All of these issues, primarily the unmarked burial issue, will come up again.

*Contractors' List:* Chair Meg Cruse announced that there have been good responses to the list. She reminded folks that registration was on the calendar year.

*Public Education:* Chair David Brown was not in attendance, so Clell asked everyone to keep in mind any potential nominees or projects that demonstrate public participation in CRM and nominate those projects for the E. Mott Davis award.

*CTA Communications:* Chair Sue Linder-Linsley reported that the renewal period goes through the Spring meeting each year. By having those Contractors who have not paid by a month beyond the Spring meeting deactivated on the webpage, the impetus to pay is there. The Contractor's name will still be there, but will not be highlighted and cannot be accessed by potential clients. Clell suggested that other portions of the webpage might be updated.

Sue asked that any improvements, changes, or additions that might improve the page please be sent to her. Andy Malof suggested that a list serve could be used to get discussions between members going or messages out to the membership.

*Membership:* Chair Karl Kibler reported that the committee recently sent out notices about the Scholarship Endowment to several universities across the state. He still feels that getting Field Techs to become members is a good thing and that possibly putting a job board on the webpage would be a way to get to Field Techs. He asked that the President put together a new committee to address the job page possibilities. Sue Linder-Linsley mentioned that the link for a job board page is available, but is a lot of work; the Communications Committee would need a second person to run it, a moderator. Also it would be the responsibility of the PI to make sure the announcement is removed when requirements are completed or job openings are filled. Clell asked if there were any volunteers who would look into these issues.

Karl went on to say that the membership is too stable, we need new ways to get members in. A number of options are still being discussed. The more members we have, the better we are at shaping policy. Clell asked that specific options or ideas be put to the membership for discussion at the Spring meeting. President Elect Miller is interested in this and will work with Karl's committee. Karl asked for two additional committee members: Steve Ahr and Jim Hughey volunteered.

*Multicultural Relations:* Chair Kerri Barile reported that she would like to extend the committee from just looking at Native American issues to looking at the issues that affect the much broader spectrum of Texas' population. She also opened the committee to any former or new members.

*Accreditation and Review Council:* No one from this committee was in attendance, and no report was given.

*Anti-Looting:* Committee Member Dan McGregor reported that Todd McMakin was stepping down as Chair and that Stephen Austin would be replacing him in that position. The \$500 that

is allotted for that committee will be used to produce a brochure that will be distributed by THC.

*Survey Standards:* Clell reported that there was no report from this committee since it had completed its task and it has been accepted. However, he does not want to disband the committee so that improvements can be made in the future, when and if necessary.

*Ad Hoc TCP Committee:* There was no report from this committee.

*Ad Hoc Guidelines:* There was no report from this committee.

### **Old Business**

There was no Old Business up for discussion.

### **New Business**

An Election Committee for this next year is needed. Ron Ralph has agreed to Chair the committee again – thanks, Ron. However, four members for the committee are needed. It was suggested that the current members, Aina Dodge, Bill Martin, Lennie Voellinger, and Jim Abbott be nominated again. The motion was made, seconded, and voted upon. The vote passed unanimously. Congratulations to the old “new” members of the Nominating Committee!

*THC Announcements:* Mark Denton presented the final curation document approved by THC. The policy goes into affect on 6 November 2003. No comments were made at the Amarillo meeting, but 12 pages of comments will go into the preamble of the document. A copy of the questions and answers can be found on the Secretary of State web site after November 6.

After 2005, repositories must be certified to house materials from projects conducted on state owned property. THC has \$75,000 of grant monies for 3 institutions to help them get certified. A couple of question still unanswered: how will it effect permits in effect in 2005 but not completed or an extension is required? And how will it effect contractors? Mark commented that we won't know until the curatorial facilities know what they're up against, but prices will

be set at that point, though they definitely could go up. If the facility is still not certified by end of 2005, what happens to the materials? Unknown.

As of 1 November 2003, curation plans should be noted in the abstract, as well as the conclusions, of the report.

Another topic of discussion had to do with supplying engineering firms with GIS data layers showing site locations. Since this type of information is not static - is ever changing - it really is not ever a complete data set. Apparently several engineering firms have asked their archeological subcontractors for that type of information, so the question became, what is the ethical stance on turning over that information? Several archeologists have talked with THC and it was agreed that the information would not go to firms without an archeologist on staff. The data submitted can be project or project area specific, but should not be used as a universal document to be applied to any project in that specific area. A suggestion that the information could be given out a county at a time for a fee of \$1,000 was entertained, but again the ethical dilemma arises. This issue is in no way easily resolved, though speaking in probability areas or sensitive zones rather than sites may be more acceptable.

### *Other Announcements:*

James Karbula gave a brief report on the 2003 annual American Cultural Resources Association (ACRA) meeting held in Dallas in September. The meeting presented educational, networking, and business topics for those represented and was very well received. A Small Business Administration representative spoke on getting and maintaining federal contracts, and gave several helpful hints to small businesses. John Nau was invited to speak where he announced that a historic archeologist had been added to the Advisory Council. The main topic of his discussion, however, was about enhancing heritage tourism efforts across the nation and announced the Preserve America initiative that Laura Bush is pushing.

As time was running out, Clell Bond asked for a move to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm.

## Announcements

### THC Announcements

*Mark Denton, Archeology Division,  
Texas Historical Commission*

Those of you who attended the CTA meeting in Fort Worth may recall a conversation concerning the THC's potential sale to qualified individuals and companies of Atlas data in the form of downloads. I won't go into the details of how and why this was being considered, but there was a strongly expressed concern about this issue by most of the CTA members attending that meeting. As a result of those discussions and for other reasons the THC will not be carrying through with this proposal. Dan Julien will be sending out a policy statement/policy letter to archeological or environmental contractors when we get more of these requests in the future.

The Texas Historical Commission has been receiving increasingly frequent requests for blocks of archeological site data from the Texas Historic Sites Atlas database. The release of archeological data in this form raises several concerns.

**Data Security:** Once the data is out of our possession, we can no longer ensure that it remains secure. The persons originally receiving the data are trustworthy and have signed an agreement not to release the data to others. However, as the number of copies of data increases, so does the likelihood of accidental release of data to unauthorized individuals.

**Data Timeliness:** The Atlas database is updated frequently. Any dataset extracted from the Atlas is static, and therefore quickly becomes out-of-date and inaccurate. The only solution is to replace the data with a fresh dataset (see Item 3).

**Demands on Staff Time:** The Atlas staff is small, and there is little likelihood that will change. Increased time spent on preparing data for download or distribution means less time for necessary Atlas maintenance and development tasks.

Therefore, the Texas Historical Commission is no longer able to provide archeological data for download or on CD; such data will only be available through the Texas Archeological Sites Atlas. I hope you can understand the constraints we face and how we have had to make this decision.

### Texas Archeological Stewardship Network: Volunteers Working to Preserve Texas' Archeological Heritage

*Patricia A. Mercado-Allinger,  
State Archeologist, Archeology Division,  
Texas Historical Commission*

Since its inception in 1984 by the Texas Historical Commission, the Texas Archeological Stewardship Network (TASN) program has advanced the goals of identifying, understanding, and preserving and interpreting Texas' archeological heritage. The TASN is a volunteer program — the first of its kind in the nation — that continues to serve as a model for other states. What makes the program unique? The TASN is a statewide network of volunteer avocational archeologists. "Stewards," as they are called, are selected for their experience, training, and motivation. An advisory group of professional and avocational archeologists assists the Archeology Division in assessing nominees to the network. The CTA president is a member of this advisory group.

Every year stewards donate thousands of hours to the program. They undertake a range of activities such as recording new sites, monitoring known sites, helping landowners seek protection for important sites, and documenting private artifact collections. Another vital stewardship activity is the promotion of "archeology awareness" through presentations to local schools and civic organizations, assistance to local museums in creating interpretive exhibits, and the planning and execution of local Texas Archeology Month events. Some stewards devote their time and energies to a broad range of activities while others concentrate on one or two areas. Stewards assist THC

archeologists in the field and provide one-on-one assistance to their communities. There are currently 114 men and women in the TASN, including seven “marine stewards” who assist State Marine Archeologist Steve Hoyt with the documentation and investigation of shipwrecks. Without a doubt, the work that stewards carry out in their communities greatly enhances the effectiveness of the THC’s state archeological program.

Why have I taken the time to write about the TASN for the CTA newsletter? The answer is two-fold. Professional archeologists are either unfamiliar with the program or overlook the fact that stewards are valuable sources of information and assistance. In addition to possessing archeological knowledge, stewards are often useful in making contacts with local landowners or collectors. Some of you regularly call upon stewards to share their knowledge about the archeological resources in their areas and are rewarded for your efforts.

In sum, this article is intended to serve as a reminder — where possible, don’t miss the opportunity to interact with this select group of avocational archeologists! To find out if there is a steward located near your project area, contact the appropriate regional archeologist from the list below, or call the Archeology Division main number, 512/463-6096.

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## Curatorial Announcements

*Texas Archeological Research Laboratory  
University of Texas at Austin*

### Notice of FY 2003-2004 Texas Archeological Research Laboratory Fees

Effective 1 September 2003, TARL’s curation fee changes from \$1140.00 to \$1200.00 per drawer or shelf, and its drawer or shelf deaccession fee\* from \$1425.00 plus \$33.00/hour for staff time to \$1500.00 plus \$33.00/hour for staff time. Specially ordered curation boxes for the osteology collection vary considerably in size, so specific charges for human remains will be based on curation space required. Notice of a 5% yearly increase in curation costs is included in the Calculating Curation Costs page on the TARL website <<http://www.utexas.edu/research/tarl/curation/costs.html>>. Also note on this page the caveats that apply to curation of Native American human remains: TARL WILL ONLY accept Native American human remains or associated and unassociated funerary objects for curation if ALL of the following criteria have been met: written proof of successful consultation with the appropriate Native American tribe, written proof of right of possession by the party submitting the remains and/or funerary objects (as defined in NAGPRA), a signed TARL Letter of Transfer/Ownership and/or Deed of Gift form, and a completed Standards for Data Collection from Human Skeletal Remains set of forms (available from the Department of Anthropology, University of Arkansas, Main 330, Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701, 501-575-5247).

**New Fee:** The recently-passed Texas Historical Commission rules for certified repositories require that an item-by-item inventory be made of all records and artifacts submitted for curation. In order for TARL to comply with this mandate, it is now necessary to include an accession inventory fee (\$33.00/hour) for each collection submitted for housing at this repository. Most projects consisting of 1/8 drawer minimums each in Records and General Collections will not be charged this fee; however, projects that include any bulk collection boxes (Associated Materials) will not be included in this waiver.



Fees that have not changed since 2002-2003: CRM archeologist's fee for use of files, maps, etc.: \$18.00/hour File searches by TARL staff: \$33.00/hour Electronic site records submission for Atlas: \$22.50/site Non-electronic site records submission for Atlas: \$40.00/site

TARL will soon be updating its website to reflect these changes. Please compare your sets of TARL documents and instructions to those on our website every so often to be sure that you are using the most recent version; the version date is normally included in the footer.

\*It is the responsibility of the submitting archeologist to make sure all appropriate transfer documentation is signed by the proper individuals prior to the submission of the collection for curation. If artifacts have been submitted for curation without the permission of the legal owner and that owner demands their return, a per-drawer fee as well as an hourly staff charge (\$33.00/hour) will be assessed for the time required to deaccession the material.

If you have questions about any of the above details, please contact us:

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### **Notice of Center for Archaeological Research University of Texas at San Antonio Fees**

In order to comply with the newly established rules of the Texas Historical Commission regarding the accuracy of any inventory of held-in-trust collections, the Center for Archaeological Research has established a fee for verifying the inventories of any newly submitted collections as of September 1, 2003. All collections except those qualifying for minimum curation costs will be assessed a charge of \$18.75 per hour for the additional staff time needed. The Center has also increased its per shelf and drawer

fees. Please refer to our curation page on the Center's web site (<http://car.utsa.edu/curation/curationcosts92003.htm>).

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## **TAS Announcements**

### **TEXAS ARCHEOLOGY ACADEMY**

The Texas Archeological Society (TAS) will offer six sessions of the *Texas Archeology Academy* in 2004. This is your opportunity to fine-tune your knowledge and skills for fieldwork, analysis and reporting. Two topics will be presented: Archeology 101: Recognizing & Documenting Archeological Sites and Ceramics: The Stories Found in Pottery.

Archeology 101: Recognizing and Documenting Archeological Sites

The first two days of the Archeology 101 will be conducted in the classroom with Dr. Harry Shafer as the lead instructor. You will learn survey techniques, systematic sampling, testing, procedures for the lab, and reporting and protecting archeological sites in the most appropriate way. During the second weekend, participants will conduct fieldwork using their new skills to document local archeological sites. Archeology 101 sessions will be held in San Angelo (Feb. 21,22,28), El Paso (March 20,21,27) and Corpus Christi (April 24,25, May 1).

Ceramics: The Stories Found in Pottery

The Ceramics workshop is designed to provide an in-depth look at archeological ceramics and the information that can be learned from ceramic analysis. You will learn how pottery is made and used; how cultural traditions and styles are reflected in pottery, and how archaeologists use the analyzed data to better understand the people and their past life ways. Dr. Harry Shafer will lead the workshop with the assistance of local potters. Ceramics sessions will be held in Dallas (Jan. 24-25), Huntsville (Feb.7-8) and San Antonio (March 6-7).

***Open to All***

All Academy sessions are open to anyone interested in archeology and do not require prior experience in ceramics or archeology. The workshop is intended for inexperienced and experienced avocational archaeologists, professional archaeologists, undergraduate and graduate students, and educators.

***Fees***

Fees will be \$60 for members and \$90 for non-members. Fees include a manual and lunch during the class sessions. Professional development credit will be given to teachers attending classes. TAS is a provider of continuing professional education (CPE) accredited through SBEC. This program is

supported in part by a grant from the Tunnell Memorial Fund, Friends of THC.

***More Info***

For details see [www.txarch.org](http://www.txarch.org), About Archeology, Texas Archeology Academy.

**Photos**

The Council of Texas Archeologists continues to solicit images of CTA functions, digital or otherwise, for the CTA Archives. Please contact David O. Brown or Doug Boyd if you have any media of interest.

## LIST OF COMMITTEES

The following committees are not necessarily active, but are listed at some location within the web site or within recent newsletters. Information on the present officers is also provided.

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