Colorado Archaeological Society - Grand Junction Chapter

June 2017 Newsletter
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CAS - GJ exists to provide education, training, community service opportunities, field trips and camaraderie for people to share their interests in the many local and regional aspects of the field of archaeology. Our chapter is a volunteer-run organization.

Questions? Call Ike Rakiecki at 970 - 219 - 0884 or send an email to casgjinfo@gmail.com or shockwaviar@gmail.com

Would you like your very own CAS-GJ name tag or t–shirt?

Colorado Graphx now has t-shirts and The Trophy Case has name tags available for purchase. The items look great and include the CAS-GJ logo. Both businesses are located in downtown Grand Junction. There is a limited-time discount for nametags ($7.50 each)

Contact the Trophy Case soon to purchase a name tag!

CAS-GJ members enjoyed a rafting field trip in late May on the San Juan River from San Island to Mexican Hat.

Photo by Sharon B

Colorado Archaeological Society Code of Ethics
- Uphold local, State and Federal antiquities laws.
- Conduct field and/or laboratory activities using professionally accepted standards.
- Accept the responsibility, if serving as Principal Investigator, to publish the results of the investigation and to make the collection available for further scientific study.
- Support only scientifically and legally conducted archaeological activities. Members will not condone the sale, exchange or purchase of artifacts obtained from illegal activities.
- Respect the property rights of landowners.
- Report vandalism to appropriate authorities.
- Be sensitive to the cultural histories and spiritual practices of groups that are the subject of archaeological investigation.
To attend any of our field trip or volunteer opportunities you must be a dues-paid member of CAS-GJ or CAS. Membership is not required to attend our meetings.

Questions about becoming a member?
Email us at casgjinfo@gmail.com or shockwaviar@gmail.com.

To register for field trips you must sign up on our event page.

UPCOMING CAS-GJ EVENTS

- **Tuesday, June 6 at 5:30 PM - CAS-GJ Board Meeting (volunteers are welcome)**
  Location: Central Library (443 N. 6th St, Grand Junction, CO)

- **Monday, June 19 at 7:00 PM - Monthly Meeting: Gilsonite Mining and the Uintah Railway**
  Location: Redlands Methodist Church (527 Village Way, Grand Junction, CO)

  In the late 1890’s and early 1900’s mining was an important part of the economy of the western United States. Several coal mines operated in the Grand Valley and western Colorado’s role in the mining industry was just beginning to emerge. During this time in Eastern Utah a rare mineral called Gilsonite was being mined. What was needed was a route to transport the mined Gilsonite from Utah to the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad. The Uintah Railway was built to serve that purpose. The presenter will be Rodger Polley, author or the Uintah Railway Pictorials, Volumes 1 and 2, is a graduate of Mesa State College and is currently the owner / operator of Rangely True Value Hardware in Rangely, Colorado.

- **Wednesday, June 28 at 6:30 PM - CAS-GJ Book Club: The Case of the Indian Trader by Paul Berkowitz**
  Location: Out West Books (533 Main St, Grand Junction, CO)

OTHER EVENTS

- **Saturday, June 10 from 10:00-3:00 PM: Grand Reopening of the Ute Indian Museum**
  Location: 17253 Chipeta Rd, Montrose, CO

- **June 16-17: 2017 Utah Archaeology Convention in Vernal, UT**
For me, archaeologists do not discover the past; they work on what remains. Archaeology is about our relationships with what is left of the past. And more – archaeology is the discipline of things – the history of design, how people get on with the material world, materiality itself.”

Michael Shanks, Archaeologist
Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) - Grand Junction Chapter
Membership Application  □ New  □ Renewal (Check one)

Date: ____________
Name(s): ____________________________
Street or PO Box: _______________________ 
City: ____________________________ State: _______ Zip: ____________
Email (s): ____________________________ / ____________________________
Telephone: ____________________________ 2nd phone ____________________________

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Make checks payable to “Grand Junction Chapter CAS”. Mail to P.O. Box 4853, Grand Junction, CO 81502

I would like to make an additional (possibly) tax deductible donation to CAS-GJ $ ____________.
CAS is a 501c3.

*Annual payment includes state and local chapter dues. Members will receive the Colorado Archaeological Society publications: "Southwestern Lore" quarterly journal and "The Surveyor" newsletter (email version).

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My signature below certifies my understanding and agreement of the above Code of Ethics.

Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________

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Visit our website. Register there to be able to RSVP for field trips, meetings and get full activity information

[www.cas-gj.org](http://www.cas-gj.org)

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Thanks for having the interest to join or renew your membership in CAS-GJ and thanks for taking the time to reply to these questions.

What is your level of archaeology experience?

___ Amateur (rank beginner) ___ Avocational (have at least a few field trips &/or training under my soles) ___ Professional Years ___ Employer(s) ________________________________

Tell a little about your archaeology interest &/or experience _________________________________________________________________

I can help our local chapter by (check as many as may apply):

___ Being a member ___ Organizing a field trip ___ Volunteering for a committee _____________ Other

___ Giving a talk on topics such as: ___________________________ __________________________________

What are you most interested in doing as a member of CAS-GJ (check all that apply):  ___ Attend lectures

___ Participate in field trips: ___ 2-4 hours total time ___ ½-full day ___ overnight field trips

___ Organize a field trip ___ Train and serve as a site steward ___ Take classes to further my knowledge

What is your preference to attend field trips? ___ Weekday ___ Weekend ___ Evening ___ It varies

Please share your ideas for local/ regional field trip locations &/or formats you might like to participate in:

__________________________________________________________________________________________

If you have been on field trips previously that CAS-GJ might want to do, please suggest those:

__________________________________________________________________________________________

What archaeology lecture topics or workshops would you like to have at our monthly meetings or other CAS-GJ gatherings?

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Please share any skills, training, expertise or interests you have not already described that may be relevant to your membership in CAS-GJ:

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May one of our board members call &/or email you to ask more about your interest in being actively involved in CAS-GJ? ___ Of course ___ I would rather you not ___ I’ll let you know when I’m ready

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