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On the cover: Big news, as you see from this announcement! The SCA is changing our Annual Meeting date for 2023 from March 29-April 2 to March 16-19, 2023, at the Marriott City Center at 1001 Broadway, Oakland, CA. The date change was necessary because the Society for American Archaeology (SAA) coincidentally scheduled their meeting for the same dates in Portland, Oregon. We know many West Coast folks will want to attend the SAA Annual Meeting so this makes it possible to do both. It will also ensure that we have better attendance in the absence of conflicting schedules. The mural of the child on the hotel is part of the United Nations World Food Programme to create a series of murals throughout the country dedicated to “Zero Hunger,” one of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. It is the tallest mural in Oakland. Permission to use the image was granted by Kurt Hanson, General Manager, Oakland Marriott City Center, Oakland Convention Center. He also provided the background story about the mural.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Connecting People to the Past

Anmarie Medin, President



Appreciating an opportunity for fieldwork.

As I write this, we have barely closed the books on the 2022 Annual Meeting and are already busy planning the 2023 meeting in Oakland. I thank Shannon Tushingham and a whole host of volunteers for pulling together a great meeting in Visalia, the first in-person meeting in two years. Given the COVID-19 Omicron variant, we were unsure how this was going to play out. We did know that the SCA would be in big financial trouble (due to the contract with the venue) if we did not go forward. I am so pleased we had a good turnout and attendees were able to reconnect. Tracey Booth and her team did an amazing job working with the Visalia Marriott at the Convention Center.

For the 2023 meeting, our theme is *Connecting People to the Past*. You might say, "Anmarie, haven't we done this interpretation stuff before?" Yes, but I hope this one can be a bit different. Recall that our mission statement says that the SCA "seeks to increase public appreciation and support for archaeology." After the Executive Branch of the previous White House administration, I think we are all aware of how quickly Executive Orders can change how seriously the federal government considers archaeology and historic preservation. Politicians look to the electorate to set priorities. Part of our responsibility as archaeologists is to present our research in ways that engage the public.

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

I often wonder how an author can take something as exciting as archaeology and reduce it to dreary writing and uncreative interpretation, passing up an opportunity to inspire. For the Plenary Session at our next meeting, we will have speakers who specialize in the interpretive arena. To those folks who work with the general public and understand how to inspire people to learn about California's diverse past, help the rest of us find creative ways to connect with a variety of audiences. I hope everyone will be able to join us in Oakland from March 16 to 19, 2023 (see caption on page 2 for additional details).

Keeping our organization running smoothly is the main job of the SCA President. I thought I knew a lot about our Society but being on the Executive Board has been educational and quite rewarding. If you want to learn more about the SCA and get involved, contact any of the current or former Board members for suggestions. We are always looking for candidates to run for office, so please reach out to our Nominations Committee Chair, Michelle St. Clair at michelle@scahome.com.

In support of the SCA's Mission Statement and to increase support for archaeology, the Legislative Committee is organizing a "Day at the Capitol." We need your help with making connections to political leadership in Sacramento, so please get in touch with the committee with ideas. Further details are elsewhere in this issue of the *SCA Newsletter*.

The Coalition for Diversity in California Archaeology recently coordinated a workshop on diversity training and I thank everyone who participated. Having spent most of my career in state service, I have attended many such training sessions. However, the majority of SCA members have not had such training and today there is broader societal awareness of the issues raised during the workshop that affect all our members. The Board is interested in feedback on the workshop and particularly whether this is an investment that we should continue to pursue. As archaeologists, we learn from the past but we also need to learn from each other. Please contact me or any Board member if you would like to share your thoughts about the workshop or any other issue.

Our SCA records have been moved from a storage unit in Chico to Roseville so they can be more accessible. Thanks to Greg White for helping Tracey and me pack up a U-Haul with all those archive boxes. As a nonprofit organization, the SCA is required to keep financial records in perpetuity – not just seven years like personal taxes. That means we will continue to need permanent storage. We found many other documents needing to find new homes. There are boxes of meeting programs, proceedings, and hundreds of Archaeology Month posters. Tracey is working on updating our website and will include an area where folks can request copies of these documents (the documents are free but there is a shipping fee). You bibliophiles in the Society will want to complete your collection of those old hard copy proceedings.

During the records move, we also found numerous pictures of excavations from the 1970s and 1980s that we hope to eventually post on the SCA website's new history section. We will be displaying these pictures at the 2023 Annual Meeting in Oakland and we hope long-time members can identify the archaeologists depicted in them. Yet another reason to attend the Oakland meeting! I hope to see you all there.

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SCA Executive Board Meeting Minutes, March 6, 2022, Visalia, California

Karen Gardner, Secretary

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Meeting Convened

The Executive Board meeting was convened at 9:00 a.m. New Board officers were introduced: Brendon Greenaway (President-Elect), Jay King (Northern Vice President), and Karen Gardner (Secretary). Tracey Booth, SCA's Business Office Manager, was also in attendance.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was postponed until the next monthly meeting because we are still waiting on the 2022 Annual Meeting final expenses.

2022 Annual Meeting Review

The 2022 Annual Meeting was held in Visalia, California, and was very successful. Maggie anticipates that the organization will at least break even on costs. Pattie raised the topic of Native American attendees' concerns about images of human remains in the bioarchaeology session. The Board agreed to have further discussions about this issue at the summer Board meeting. The Student Mixer was sparsely attended, so the Board agreed that next year we will need better promotion and signage. The Friends of Bill W. meeting was appreciated so the Board discussed the possibility of having an alcohol-free social event for the next meeting. Data confidentiality is another topic the Board will be discussing at the summer meeting.

For the 2023 Annual Meeting at the Marriott City Center in Oakland, California, Carie Montero and Marco Meniketti will serve as Local Arrangements Co-Chairs. We are hoping to avoid some of the set-up, audio, and equipment issues encountered during the 2022 meeting. Our program scheduling software is problematic and expensive. Tracey, Jay, and Wendy will look into options for alternate scheduling software before the 2023 meeting.

SCA BUSINESS AND ACTIVITIES

Public Outreach and Education Committee Report

Craig Lesh, Public Outreach and Education Committee Chair, asked for Board approval to produce and use a video in the SCA's name for outreach to historical societies, training them in appropriate protocols. The committee has prepared a concept video and is hoping to create a professional video. The Board requested a more detailed cost proposal.

Maritime Archaeology Committee Report

Denise Jaffke informed the Board that the Drakes Bay Landing site was nominated by the Drake Navigators Guild as a California Historic Landmark (CHL), and it was subsequently listed. However, there is concern about whether the recorded location is the actual site of Drakes Landing, as research has been inconclusive. The SCA's Maritime Archaeology Committee (MAC) would like the Board to support a letter requesting modification of the CHL record, which the MAC would draft. The MAC would also like the Board's support in writing a letter to California State Parks to request that they have input in defining State Marine Conservation Areas and to assist with identifying Marine Cultural Preservation Letters. All Board members voted in favor of both proposals.

The MAC hopes to introduce a shipwreck Building, Structure, and Object (BSO) Record for DPR 523 forms. The Board suggested deferring this item and focusing on other MAC proposals. The MAC is planning to craft underwater survey guidelines to support permitting by the State Lands Commission, and will have these drafted before the 2023 Oakland Annual Meeting, hopefully to be posted on the SCA website. Finally, due to growing interest in maritime archaeology, Shannon suggested adding information and outreach to the SCA website.

Native American Programs Committee Report

Gregg Castro and Kanyon Sayers presented the Native American Programs Committee report. It was suggested that the SCA have a group of Native singers and dancers at the 2023 Annual Meeting Banquet instead of a keynote speaker. Options for increasing Native American attendance were discussed. Gregg described confusion about the meeting organization and protocols for new attendees. Maggie suggested that we offer an orientation for all new attendees at each meeting. The Hospitality Room worked well this year with a meeting room and support from students. Kanyon prepared a pocket guide for how anthropologists can better interact with Tribes. The Board asked her and the committee to put together a proposal and request funding from the Board to prepare the handouts.

SCA Board Manual

There is an ongoing effort by Michelle Cross and Anmarie Medin to produce a revised Executive Board Manual. It should be finalized at the summer Board meeting.

SCA Records Storage

The SCA is in the process of moving its stored records from Chico to Roseville. There is a push to digitize documents to reduce storage needs.

Final Comments

The inaugural Ethics Bowl was a great event at the 2022 meeting but required a lot of work to organize. The Board proposed that the Standards and Ethics Advisory Committee form a task force to organize future events. The 2022 keynote address will be posted on the public SCA website to make it available to all who are interested.

A motion was made and unanimously accepted to adjourn the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

American Cultural Resources Association Report

Shelly Davis-King, ACRA Liaison

The American Cultural Resources Association (ACRA), a national business association, supports needs of the diverse cultural resource management (CRM) industry. ACRA's member firms employ thousands of CRM professionals nationwide, working in historic preservation, archaeology, anthropology, architectural history, history, and landscape architecture. The SCA has been associated with ACRA since the latter's inception.

Annual Meeting

ACRA's in-person Annual Meeting will be in San Antonio, Texas, September 22–25, 2022. The theme is *CRM: Bridging Agencies, Industries, and the Community*. Held in the historic Menger Hotel, across the street from the Alamo, we are planning to take full advantage of the perfect time of year to be in the southern United States. The Call for Sessions is now closed, and registration is open at <https://acra-crm.org/annual-conference>. Hotel reservations are available at <https://res.windsurfercrs.com/ibe/details.aspx?propertyid=16589&nights=1&checkin=9%2F20%2F2022&group=092222ACRA&lang=en-us>.

FY 2022 Spending Bill

The full spending bill for the 2022 fiscal year (which began October 1, 2021) was finally enacted with virtually all cultural resource accounts seeing increases in spending and record funding for the Historic Preservation Fund. Unfortunately, there was only a \$1 million increase for the nearly 200 Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs), despite an increase in THPO offices, inflation, and the growth of their workload. The State Historic Preservation Officers (SHPO) received a \$2 million increase, even though their numbers have not increased.

The Historic Preservation Enhancement Act (H.R. 6589)

Please see the March *SCA Newsletter* for background on this important introduced legislation. ACRA continues to support the Teresa Leger Fernández (D-NM) bill to double the annual funding and make it a permanent program for the first time in its history. A companion bill has now been introduced in the Senate by Martin Heinrich (D-NM), with the added provision that 60% of the funds be allocated to SHPO/THPO programs.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

The White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) released its final rule undoing the Trump administration's 2020 changes to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) which revised how the CEQ would implement NEPA, exempted certain classes of federal actions from NEPA review, and restricted the types of project effects to be examined during the NEPA review process. ACRA (along with many others) criticized the 2020 rule, arguing that the changes placed arbitrary deadlines and limitations on the review process and left important considerations at the discretion of agencies without public input, potentially leading to more litigation, project delays, and threats to historic and cultural sites without recourse to consider how federal actions impact them. The new rule:

- Restores the authority of agencies to analyze alternative approaches to conducting an Environmental Impact Statement.
- Reestablishes that CEQ's NEPA regulations are a floor, not a ceiling, for agency NEPA procedures. The 2020 changes had included "ceiling provisions" that prevented agencies from going beyond the CEQ regulations.
- Broadens the definition of "effects" to include "direct effects," "indirect effects," and "cumulative impacts," including climate change impacts.

Interagency Working Group on Mining Regulations, Laws, and Permitting

The Department of the Interior (DOI) has asked the public for recommendations to inform its new Interagency Working Group on Mining Regulations, Laws, and Permitting. Domestic extraction of minerals for use in electric vehicles, cell phones, and other technologies has become increasingly important as the U.S. retreats from its reliance on Chinese imports. The working group wishes to "gather information and develop recommendations for improving Federal hardrock mining regulations, laws, and permitting processes, and is inviting public comments." The DOI will hold in-person public listening sessions which will be announced in the coming months. The deadline for public comments is July 31, 2022.

National Park Service Deaccessioning

The National Park Service has finalized a rule to allow deaccessioning of federally owned archaeological items determined to be of insufficient national archaeological interest. No human remains or cultural items as defined in the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act can be deaccessioned under this rule.

Montpelier

If you have been following historic preservation news, the controversy at one of the nation's premier historic and cultural sites, Montpelier, is distressing. In a nutshell, the former home of President James and Dolley Madison has been managed by the Montpelier Foundation which chose to sever official ties with the Montpelier Descendants Committee (formed of Madison's slave descendants) and dismissed staff cultural resource employees who spoke out against the Foundation's actions. Although ACRA does not normally get involved in regional matters, the Executive Board posted a policy statement against the action. The statement can be read at <https://acra-crm.org/acra-statement-on-montpelier/>.

California Historical Resources Information System Update

Anmarie Medin, SCA President

The California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) and the regional Information Centers (ICs) have a long history in California and are closely connected to our SCA membership. We are the “power users” of the CHRIS, and what happens to the system affects us all, so it is important for us to pay attention to what is going on. Folks who are interested can watch the State Historical Resources Commission (SHRC) meetings where any formal CHRIS business is discussed. At the January meeting, commissioners voted to extend the existing fee structure for another year. The California State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) announced that the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) was able to execute a contract with the Eastern IC for more than \$100,000 to fund their digitization effort. Additionally, the OHP is in conversations with various State entities to find a permanent storage solution for hard copy reports and resource records so valuable office space can be used by staff to digitize any backlogs.

At the April meeting, the SHPO announced that a major information technology project is moving forward. The OHP is pursuing a comprehensive software program that will manage workflow for Section 106 submittals and other programs, as well as the entire CHRIS inventory. This project is a very ambitious undertaking and is important for keeping up with changing technology and modern business trends. At the SHRC meeting, I told the commissioners and SHPO that SCA members are greatly interested in the success of the CHRIS and we would make ourselves available to serve as subject matter experts for the development of any user requirements and to beta test any programs. If you would like to know more, please contact me at Anmarie@scahome.org or the OHP directly at info.calshpo@parks.ca.gov.

Long-serving IC liaison Bryan Much has passed the proverbial baton of this role to Brian Barbier, coordinator of the Central Coast IC. Brian B. can be reached at ccic@sbnature2.org or (805) 682-4711, ext. 181. Thank you, Bryan M., for all you have done to help bring the ICs into the digital age and keep the SCA membership apprised of activities at the ICs. We will miss your enthusiasm but I know you will continue to care for the ICs and the SCA.

Day at the Capitol

Samantha Schell, Legislation Committee

The SCA Legislation Committee is organizing a *Day at the Capitol* in October to correspond with Archaeology Month. The intent is to identify legislative members, committees, and staffers that the SCA can present as subject matter experts when they are addressing issues related to cultural resources, archaeology, and heritage protection. Please email Samantha Schell at legislative@scahome.org if you would like to be involved.

The WCA/CDCA Emma Lou Davis Mentorship Award

Submitted by Kaelly Colligan

Editor's Note: At the 2022 SCA Annual Meeting, awards were presented at the Annual Banquet. One of these awards, the first annual Women in California Archaeology/Coalition for Diversity in California Archaeology Emma Lou Davis Mentorship Award, was presented to Seetha Reddy. Since she was unable to attend the meeting, her contributions that led to this award are highlighted here.

This year, the Women in California Archaeology (WCA) and the Coalition for Diversity in California Archaeology (CDCA) committees are proud to announce the Emma Lou Davis Mentorship Award. The inspiration for this award came from a recent SCA survey (VanDerwarker et al. 2018) that identified the crucial role mentorship has played in archaeology. This issue is particularly salient for women and underrepresented groups. Good mentorship can save us from dropping out at difficult points in our careers and aid in building network alliances. As a result, members of the WCA and CDCA have sponsored this Mentorship Award to honor archaeologists who have mentored women and underrepresented communities in the discipline in a significant way. We aim to recognize valuable contributions by our colleagues and peers who assist others and contribute to making archaeology a more equitable and diverse space. We want to honor this award by naming it after Emma Lou Davis, a renowned archaeologist whose pioneering work paved the way for a more diverse field today.

It is fitting that the first receipt of the Emma Lou Davis award goes to Seetha Reddy, a founder of both the WCA and CDCA committees. Seetha has significantly contributed to the mentorship of women and underrepresented communities in academia and cultural resource management. Whether in the field, in a lab setting, or in academia, Seetha has encouraged us to pursue our careers to our best potential. She has given us the tools and guidance we need to have our voices heard and acknowledged. She has personally invited us to ongoing archaeological excavations to meet other people in the field and compare our research findings. She has helped us network with other archaeologists and has encouraged us to publish our work. The opportunities that Seetha has provided are critical first steps to bolstering our careers. What is so extraordinary about Seetha is that she could have met you years ago, still remembers you years later, and will keep you in mind for future opportunities. That level of commitment and mentorship is rare in our field.

Reference

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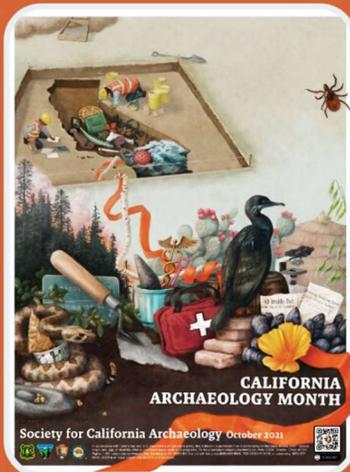


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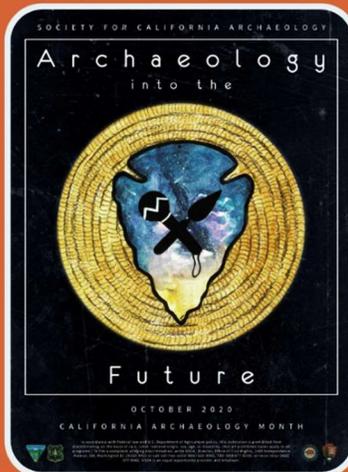
First foods of the Pacific Coast have provided sustenance for generations of California's diverse native communities. Fishing, hunting, trapping, gathering, and other forms of harvesting are central to subsistence, cultural, and religious existence.

The Toiyas Dee-ri' aboriginal territory encompasses over 100 miles of coastal shoreline, approximately 2.87 million square acres of land, and adjacent marine waters in northern California and southern Oregon. These territories offer bountiful resources nestled amongst the majestic redwoods and encompassed by the Pacific Ocean.

Annual camps, for harvesting blower surf smelt, are located along a coastal traditional cultural landscape, where the Toiyas Dee-ri' continue these practices, evidenced by more than 150 years of colonialism. Camps are hubs for intergenerational knowledge transmission of subsistence practices, culinary techniques (fishing, drying, cooking, preserving), physical and spiritual wellness, and for reaffirming connections to the land.



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California Archaeological Site Stewardship Program Activities

Karen Lacy and Mike DeGiovine, CASSP Coordinators
Beth and Chris Padon, Partners for Archaeological Site Stewardship

Last fall, CASSP held the first hybrid online and in-person volunteer training workshop. On April 30 of this year, we held a second online volunteer training session. Like the first one, the April webinar was attended by almost twice as many people as the previous style of workshops. Instead of one public agency, this workshop featured site stewardship opportunities at several locations at the U.S. Forest Service, California State Parks, and Bureau of Land Management.

At the April 30 webinar, Jean Rhyne, Brian Walsh, and Zackary Moskowitz spoke about their experiences with the local archaeology in their districts of California State Parks. Esther Morgan and Eraina Noosa talked about archaeological resources at Los Padres National Forest and the Cleveland National Forest, respectively. Special guest speaker Gregg Castro, Chair of the SCA Native American Programs Committee, discussed some of the issues important to Native American communities. CASSP personnel presented information about the site stewardship program, California archaeology, safety, and laws that protect heritage resources.

Each online CASSP volunteer training webinar is free and open to the public. The second day of training consists of an in-person field session at one of the public agencies represented by an archaeologist at the webinar. Volunteers visit one or two archaeological sites with the agency archaeologist and CASSP personnel to practice site stewardship activities of observation and reporting. Only those who took the webinar and who signed a confidentiality agreement can take the field trip.

On February 12, 2022, we conducted a field trip to Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Park to continue the training from the first CASSP webinar that was held on October 23, 2021. On May 7, 2022, we took another field trip to Los Padres National Forest to follow up on the April 30 CASSP webinar.

Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks Field Day

Jane Allen, Park Archaeologist and Tribal Liaison, hosted a field training session for new site stewards on a beautiful day at the picnic grounds near Hospital Rock. It was attended by ten new site stewards and park staff from law enforcement, volunteer services, and public interpretation offices. We formed a circle with our camp chairs on the picnic grounds parking lot to review local archaeology, site stewardship duties, and safety concerns. Then we viewed archaeological features at the site, which include bedrock mortars at the trailhead and its well-known pictographs. Jane's descriptions of the features and information about the people who lived there helped us realize what a special place this is, and why it deserves the attention of site stewards.

The picnic area is located on Generals Highway, the main route through the park. It was a beautiful day and we saw many visitors. They were polite and friendly, like the vast majority of people who are encountered by site stewards. Did we mention the weather was beautiful? Two days later, it snowed.

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Welcome to Hospital Rock, a sacred site for local California Indian tribes whose ancestors lived and died here. Please be considerate of this sensitive area by staying on the trail, not touching the pictographs, and behaving respectfully.

Archeological and historic sites like this are unique and irreplaceable. Please cooperate with the laws that protect them. Thank you.

Walk in a good way on Mother Earth.

Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks Field Day (clockwise from top left): CASSP participants receiving safety information from law enforcement officials (who are standing); Jane Allen talked about the bedrock mortars that are located at the trail-head; National Parks staff posted this sign to remind visitors that this is a sensitive area; new site stewards recorded their observations of recent vehicle tracks that led off the pavement and into the picnic area. Photographs courtesy of Chris and Beth Padon.



Los Padres National Forest Field Day

On Saturday, May 7, CASSP held the second day of training for a number of stewards-in-training in Los Padres National Forest (LPNF). We had a large crowd with 19 trainees in attendance along with Beth and Chris Padon from Partners for Archaeological Site Stewardship, Karen Lacy and Mike DeGiovine from CASSP, and Esther Morgan (LPNF Archaeologist).



Los Padres National Forest Field Day (left to right): workshop attendees at the orientation meeting in the morning; conversations over lunch. Photographs courtesy of Chris Padon.

SCA NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Los Padres National Forest Field Day (left to right): pictographs at one of the sites we visited; group shot of everyone at the conclusion of the day. Photographs courtesy of Chris Padon.

Also in attendance was LPNF Law Enforcement Officer Phillip Konkankit who provided additional guidance on potential scenarios where stewards may encounter people. We had such an amazing group, asking questions and discussing situations, that we had to save some of the great conversation for lunch so that we could go out into the field. Before lunch, we visited one part of a large site that has been partially built over by the road, and we were able to see some of the ways that easy access could impact a site.

After lunch, we visited a pictograph site in an area with restricted access. Leading to the site were interpretive signage and a railing in front of the pictographs to discourage visitors from getting too close. At both sites, the stewards-in-training learned how to assess whether any changes to the sites had occurred, what those recent changes may have been, and how to report them.

To finish the day, we were all given a tour of the Heritage Resources Office of the LPNF, and the latest class of site stewards was graduated. A good time was had by all!

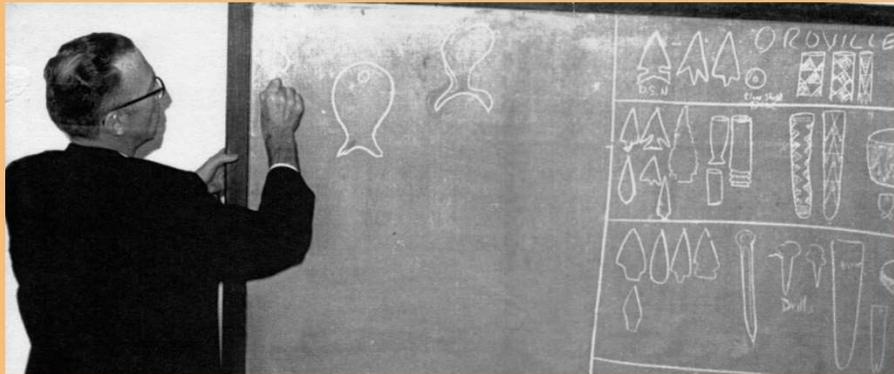
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