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UPCOMING EVENTS

November 15, 7 PM

5 p.m. Pre-meeting Dinner, Hofbrau

December 9, 7 PM

April 21, 2018

Next Meeting, Wildcat Bluff

Studer Banquet, Dyer’s

**SWFAS -- Iraan, TX. Mesa View
Hotel recommended.**

From the Editor’s Desk

We’re all thankful every day for Mom and home and apple pie. But November is a time set aside to give thanks, each in his own way, for our country, for those who have toiled to build it, and for those who left their homes across one sea or another to come here.

I know you’ve heard all this since grade school, so let me make this a bit personal.

I’m thankful for my Irish and Scots-Irish ancestors, who did as much as anyone could to stir up opposition to the British king and bring about the American Revolution. I’m grateful for my German ancestor who crossed the Atlantic in a paddle-wheel steamer, just in time for the Civil War. Looks like we’re just generally a quarrelsome bunch!

Now if you grew up in a cozy house or apartment in town, you may find this a bit strange: I am thankful every day for hot water! You just turn a faucet and out it comes —Hot Water!

Some of you may remember, as I do, a time when we had a bucket of water on a cabinet by the sink. There was a dipper, and we all drank out of it family, guests and hired men. We didn’t get sick from exchanging germs, I suppose because our semi-outdoor lives caused us to build up immunity to everything.

Hot water was hard to come by. Grandma had a big copper boiler she set on the wood stove so she could boil the white clothes she had washed on the board. Otherwise, it was a big teakettle, the reservoir on the side of the stove or a coffee percolator. People crossing the Plains in covered wagons had no hot shower to look forward to at the end of a hard day.

Finally, I’m grateful for all of you. You provide fun and intellectual stimulation to me every day. People my age are tempted to just vegetate. Thank you for keeping me up and going!



PANHANDLE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Minutes of October 18, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Veronica Arias at 7 PM at Wild Cat Bluff.

There were 18 members in attendance.

PROGRAM: James Coverdale presented "The Set'tan Kiowa Calendar, 60 years of Kiowa History 1832-1892." James shared with us a calendar of his Kiowa ancestor. Set'tan began his calendar at age 16 in 1832. The copy games has is on manila paper, But James gave us a lesson on tanning a hide with brains which takes a week to week and a half. The pigments were natural. Deciding what events to paint on the calendar was a group process. James shared some of the more important events pictured over the years and what the various pictures represented. James has made his own copy on hide that he tanned himself.

MINUTES: The September minutes were approved as published in the PASTIMES.

TREASURER'S REPORT: PAM ALLISON reported a balance of \$3836.05 in the checking account, although we may owe a month rent at the library.

PUBLICATIONS REPORT: Rolla Shaller Reported a balance of

OLD BUSINESS: ROLLA and Veronica reported on the program at Wild Cat Bluff on October 7. The attendance was sparse. However, they did give us three samples of PAS brochures to vote on. Although all were attractive, one was an almost unanimous choice.

It was agreed that we meet at Wild Cat Bluff again next month.

NEW BUSINESS: Rolla presented the need to have a membership form on the website It was agreed to look for other options for our site the coming year. It was decided to shop around for options other than the present financial arrangements.

It was agreed that those members who elect to receive [a print copy of] the newsletter will pay an additional fee to cover printing and postage.

The Studer Banquet will be December 9 at Dyer's. There is no speaker as yet, but Veronica is working on it.

There was discussion on the TAS proposal that PAS and/or PPHM host the TAS annual meeting next year. It was agreed that we would be unable to undertake such a project with our small and scattered membership.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Ruthe Carter, Secretary



Early house hunting

Our Speaker for November 15, 2017

Spatial and Temporal Distribution of Obsidian in Oklahoma

Matt Oliver

University of Oklahoma

Abstract

Obsidian does not naturally occur in Oklahoma and the closest sources are in the Jemez Mountains of north-central New Mexico. Though scarce, obsidian artifacts still occur throughout Oklahoma's archaeological record. Archaeologists can approach social interaction and exchange through obsidian artifact movement by utilizing techniques such as geochemical sourcing. Geochemical sourcing identifies the volcanic field where the material of a particular artifact originated. To date, only about 25% of obsidian found in Oklahoma has been sourced. Available data prior to my research revealed that the majority of obsidian present in the state originated from two primary areas – the Jemez Mountains in New Mexico and the volcanic fields surrounding Yellowstone National Park in Idaho and Wyoming. As a part of this study I submitted 112 samples for geochemical source analysis. In this presentation I will discuss the results of these analyses, including both the spatial and temporal patterns of the source areas represented and for what purposes obsidian was used. In the end, these patterns are examined to interpret large-scale social interaction in Oklahoma through time and across space.

Biography

I am a graduate student at the University of Oklahoma. Originally I am from Fort Gibson, Oklahoma and attended college at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado. My research interests include social interaction and exchange, source analysis of exotic exchange items, lithic technology and ideology, and individuals in the archaeological record.



Speaker for Studer Banquet.

Brad Jones

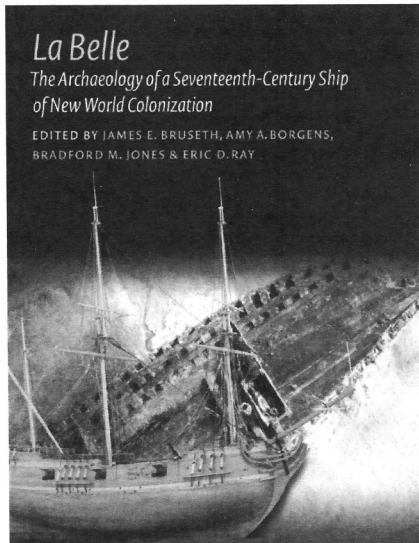
"La Belle:

The Archaeology of a Seventeenth-Century Ship of New World Colonization"

Edited by James E. Bruseth, Amy A. Borgens, Bradford M. Jones, and Eric D. Ray

Presented by Brad Jones

Saturday, 3:00 - 3:55 PM



In 1995, Texas Historical Commission underwater archaeologists discovered the wreck of the La Salle's *La Belle*, remnant of an ill-fated French attempt to establish a colony at the mouth of the Mississippi River but landing instead along today's Matagorda Bay in Texas. During 1996–1997, the Commission uncovered the ship's remains under the direction of archaeologist James E. Bruseth and employing a team of archaeologists and volunteers. Amid the shallow waters of Matagorda Bay, a steel cofferdam was constructed around the site, creating one of the most complex nautical archaeological excavations ever attempted in North America and allowing the archaeologists to excavate the sunken wreck much as if it were located on dry land. The ship's hold was discovered full of everything the would-be colonists would need to establish themselves in the New World; more than 1.8 million artifacts were recovered from the site.

More than two decades in the making, due to the immensity of the find and the complexity of cataloging and conserving the artifacts, this book thoroughly documents one of the most significant North American archaeological discoveries of the twentieth century.

JAMES E. BRUSETH, retired Archeology Division Director at the Texas Historical Commission, was the project director of the *La Belle* excavation.

ERIC D. RAY is the lead interpretive planner for state parks at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.



AMY A. BORGENS is the State Marine Archeologist in the Archeology Division at the Texas Historical Commission.

BRADFORD M. JONES is manager of collections and the curatorial facility certification program in the Archeology Division at the Texas Historical Commission.



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Links to online sales: <http://tamupress.com/product/La-Belle,8831.aspx>

Link to Editor: <http://www.tamupress.com/product/Bruseth-James-E,197.aspx>

Link to Publisher: www.tamupress.com

Folks I found them.. well at least the copy that highlights changes to be approved. They were in E-mails from Jerry Leatherman and Donna Otto in Feb-March 2013. Also the minutes of March 20, 2013 show that they were approved and accepted. I'll attach what was submitted for approval.

Joe D

Amended
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And
BYLAWS

Of the
PANHANDLE ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY
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ARTICLE I

Name

The name of the Society is the Panhandle Archeological Society.

ARTICLE II

Purpose and Goals

The purpose of the Society is the promotion, preservation, and dissemination of scientific knowledge concerning regional history and prehistory.

Society Goals include:

Protection and preservation of cultural resources and the natural environment;

Accomplishment of scientific research, including excavation, survey, and analysis;

Dissemination of research and analysis of data via scientific publications, public meetings, and other means in order to make said knowledge available to the scientific community and the general public;

Responsible participation in programs and projects designed to promote and provide education and community awareness of the value and importance of conservation of regional cultural and natural resources.

ARTICLE III

Status

The Society is organized exclusively for educational and scientific purposes as a non-profit mutual-interest organization whose efforts and activities are directed toward achieving its Goals and promoting its Purpose in serving the regional and general public, including the scientific community.

ARTICLE IV

Membership

Membership to the Society is open without reservation to those who espouse the Society's goals or share an interest in any field or activity the Society may be involved in at any time. Membership is open to the general public without regard to "race," color, national origin, political or religious creed, age, sex, or physical and/or mental handicap.

Exception: Membership may be withheld from those prospective or current members who are ~~or have been convicted of one or more~~ **involved in** acts of vandalism (including all commonly understood meanings and connotations of the term) of or at sites known to contain cultural resources and/or to have been nominated to protected status under state and federal antiquities protection acts. Said exclusion from membership is not automatic and must be dealt with according to standard accepted parliamentary procedures that guarantee maximum membership knowledge and involvement.

ARTICLE V

Limitations

No part of the net earnings of the Society shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Society shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensations for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article ~~Third (II)~~ **(II)** hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Society shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this Society shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this Society.

ARTICLE VI

Ethics

~~No Society member shall engage in acts that are contradictory to provisions of state and federal antiquities protection legislations that impose penalties in case of a verdict of guilty.~~

- **Members of PAS must abide by all terms and conditions of the PAS Bylaws and all Federal and State antiquities laws or regulations.**
- **PAS does not condone the practice of buying and selling artifacts for commercial purposes.**
- **PAS does not condone the disregard of proper archeological research techniques or the willful destruction or distortion of archeological data.**

Vandalism of protected sites and sites containing cultural resources is contrary to the Society's Purpose and Goals and will not be tolerated from among the Society membership.

The Society may adopt Amendments or Bylaws that further spell out ethical behavior acceptable to the Society and appropriate to Society Purpose and Goals provided that said Amendments and Bylaws do not violate member civil rights and do not exceed or attempt to supersede existing federal, state, and local statutes.

ARTICLE VII

Governing Body

The Society shall have a Governing Body composed of elected Officers. In addition, the Society may, at its discretion, maintain a separate ex-officio position of Sponsor(s). Duties of each Officer and Sponsor are delineated in the Bylaws.

Officers elected are President, Vice-President/Program Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer. These Officers comprise the basic Executive Committee.

The duly elected President may, at his/her discretion, appoint other members to the Executive Committee; the membership at large is to be notified of such appointments and the rationale for same. The Sponsor(s) may also be appointed to the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VIII Projects/Publications

Section 1: Projects. The Society may embark on or be involved in any project that can be shown to be related to the achievement of its Purpose and Goals. The Society may also participate in any such project as a correlative or volunteer force and resource when requested by a responsible individual, agency, institution, or group. The Society will not serve as a paid or contracted resource, and no member, acting under the auspices of the Society or using its name, shall accept remuneration for his/her services and/or expertise. Personal expenses outlaid by Society members and expenses outlaid by the Society as a group during performance of volunteer activity may be reimbursed by the appropriate responsible party so long as such reimbursement does not meet the generally accepted definition of income.

All projects proposed for involvement by the Society as a whole or any group of officers/members using the Society's name must be fully presented to the Society for approval **at a regularly scheduled meeting or by some other means of communication if time constraints prohibit waiting for the next regularly scheduled meeting**. The membership must approve Society participation or involvement by accepted (Bylaws) democratic principles and practices. No Officer or Sponsor shall agree to commit the Society, any of its members, or its resources to any project until the above-specified membership notification and approval has taken place.

The Society shall not become involved in any project that can be shown to be in violation of existing federal, state, or local antiquities protection legislation or codes.

Section 2: Publications. The Society shall publish articles and reports as it deems necessary or beneficial. All publications produced or sponsored by the Society must be in accordance with its Purpose and Goals. Publications other than the Newsletter must be reviewed by the Publication Committee prior to actual publication and release. All Society Publications, except the Newsletter, are to be made available to the membership, the scientific community, and the general public. All Society Publications, except the Newsletter, will be sold or made available at cost or on a cost-reimbursement basis or at "profit" levels that meet Internal Revenue and other tax-exempt requirements, guidelines, and policies. Publications are intended to provide scientific and educational/public awareness information and to document Society project involvement, not as a major source of income or "profit." Any/all "profit" derived from Publication sales shall be utilized for further Publications or research or other projects designed or intended to achieve Society Purpose and Goals.

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Details concerning Publications, other than the Newsletter, and Publication requirements and procedures will be devised by the Publication Committee, approved by the membership via accepted parliamentary procedures, and made available to the membership and/or potential authors as a Publications Policy or Guidelines statement.

The Society shall accept for consideration of publication any material submitted by a dues-paid member. Further, the Society, by means of its Officers, Publication Committee, and/or Sponsor(s), shall actively seek and promote publishable articles, reports, and materials from among the membership. However, consideration for publication shall not be limited to Society membership.

ARTICLE IX Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the members of the Society present and voting at a regularly scheduled meeting provided that the membership of the Society has been notified **in writing, by telephone, or by some form of electronic communication** of the specific amendment not less than 30 days prior to the meeting. "Member" is here and throughout this document used to refer to a current dues-paid member. No other person will be accorded voting privileges or rights.

Any dues-paid member (includes Officers and Sponsor(s)) may suggest or recommend amendments, either directly or indirectly. Write-in amendments must be signed and dated by the member submitting same.

ARTICLE X Voting Rights/Privileges

Maximum effort must be made by the Society and/or its officers to ensure voting access to any dues-paid member. Absentee or write-in votes must be accepted and duly counted; such votes must be signed and dated by the voting member. Mechanisms for the assurance of voting rights/privileges and access may be determined by the Executive Committee or the membership at large by customary accepted procedures and membership approval.

Qualifications and eligibility of those voting for any Society legislation or motion are subject to verification (i.e., dues-paid status) if challenged by a dues-paid member. Votes shown to be unqualified or ineligible shall simply be subtracted from appropriate vote tallies and need not necessitate a new vote.

Unless otherwise specified by due procedure and membership approval, a simple majority shall prevail in all matters calling for membership approval via voting.

ARTICLE XI Dissolution of Society

Upon dissolution of the Society, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of sections 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

ARTICLE XII Nominations/Elections

No later than the September meeting the President shall appoint a chairperson of the Nomination Committee. The chairperson may select one or two other members to assist. The committee shall present a slate of nominees consisting of: President*Vice-President*Secretary*Treasurer to the membership of the November meeting. Nominations may also be made from the floor by the general membership. It has been traditional (in the past) for the Vice-President to move to President. An election shall be held every two years and the new officers shall take office at the Studer Banquet in December.

A vacancy in any elected office other than that of President may be filled by the Executive Committee appointing a member in good standing. A vacancy in the office of President shall be filled by the Vice-President and the office of Vice-President may be filled by the Executive Committee.

Articles I-XI Approved 7th of August 1985: Meeks Etchieson, President; Donna K. Otto, Vice-President; Joseph H. Powell, Secretary; Barbara J. Williams, Treasurer. Note: The Constitution and Bylaws adopted in May 1984 were amended on August 7 1985 to comply with IRS requested changes to acquire 501 (c) (3) status. Signature of officers was required with submission to IRS.

Article XII was presented in October 2009, after discussion it was also noted that the Society holds elections every two year vs. yearly. The change was to be published in the November newsletter, however minutes and changes were not located, so the yellow highlighted words were added. The amendment was voted on and passed at the November 2009 meeting, minutes noting changes were published in the October newsletter.

Updated/proposed bylaws published in the Feb. 2013 Newsletter

Current bylaws approved at _____ regular meeting.