

Minutes for WAPA Fall Meeting, September 25, 2009, Lander, Wyoming

President Jana Pastor called meeting to order.

WAPA board welcomed all attending.

Officers and attendees introduced themselves.

President Jana Pastor made a motion to approve Spring Minutes. Mark Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Secretary's Report:

Adam Graves: Read the minutes from the Spring 2009 WAPA Meeting in Cody, Wyoming.

Treasurer's Report:

John Laughlin: The WAPA checking account has \$6,414.74 of which \$1,144.00 belongs to the Project Archaeology funds that WAPA holds for the BLM, leaving \$5270.74 of actual WAPA checking account funds. The Putnam account, which lost \$2675.78 in 2008, is now rebounding. At the end of the first quarter of 2009, the Putnam account balance stood at \$10,731.26, having experienced first quarter losses of \$513.48. By the end of the second quarter on June 30th, the account had gained \$764.65 making the entire account worth \$11,495.91. As of September 23, 2009 the Putnam account stood at \$12,410.43, an increase of \$914.52 in the third quarter. Expenditures incurred since the spring 2009 meeting total \$971.07 and consist of:

\$50.00 Absaroka Chapter W.A.S. – donation for spring meeting

\$465.08 Pine Beach LLC. – Tim Novak memorial donated to the Wyoming Site Stewardship Program for purchase of t-shirts and hats for site stewards.

\$100.00 Wyoming History Day Award

\$250.00 Buffalo Bill Historical Center – costs incurred for meeting room/break snacks for spring 2009 meeting

\$105.99 Radio Shack – purchase of digital recorder

The majority of WAPA dues for 2009 have been paid. There are approximately 15 members with outstanding dues.

Committee Reports:

Vice President Joe Daniele: 60% of new applicants were accepted into WAPA this year. There are 6 new members since last meeting.

State archaeologist Mark Miller: Jensen Scholarship was not awarded this year.

Russ Tanner: No new archaeological sites have been listed on the NRHP since Trappers Point.

Agency and Contractors Reports:

Secretary Adam Graves: Summarized Agency reports that were received.

SWCA Paul Burnett/John Kennedy: Summarized sites and research being conducted by SWCA.

State Archaeologist Mark Miller: Loss of funding for curation and repository. New charge of \$40/hour for accessioning.

Interim SHPO Mary Hopkins: Legislative task force citing of wind projects.

BLM, Casper FO Chris Arthur: Cedar Ridge sensitivity model.

WYDOT Julie Francis: Spent stimulus money.

Old Business:

Treasurer John Laughlin: Website: Dan Bach and John Laughlin continue to work together on the joint WAS/WAPA website available at <http://www.wyomingarchaeology.org>. Dan Bach has put in about 60 hours of his own time building the website while Laughlin has spent approximately 25 hours gathering content, which Bach has added to the website. Sam Trautman is currently looking into transferring the list serve to the new website. As of today, all WAPA content has been transferred to the new site except for the list serve. Bach and Laughlin primarily have been concerned with getting the content transferred over and will continue with design changes (i.e. pictures, logos etc...) once all content is up and running. Danny Walker continues to work on scanning in the past issues of the Wyoming Archaeologist, which will be available on the W.A.S. portion of the website. Danny says that all past issues except for the past ten years will be available as pdf's. Any suggestions on additional content, pictures, etc., would be greatly appreciated.

New Business:

President Jana Pastor: WAPA meeting minutes are now being recorded and should be disseminated via the Wyoming Archaeologist and a podcast.

President Jana Pastor: Suggested Spring 2010 Topic as geoarchaeology and everyone agreed that this was a good idea. Julie Francis volunteered to moderate the topic.

BLM, Kemmerer FO Lynn Harrell: Suggested Fall 2010 Topic as game drives and traps, and a meeting in Kemmerer. Julie Francis made a motion to accept this offer and the motion was seconded and passed.

Break -----

Projectile point discussion and presentations ensued.

Meeting adjourned.

Attendance

Drucker, Dave Vlcek, Anne Dowd, Chris Arthur, Kierson Crume, Paul Burnett, John Kennedy, Richard L. Currit, Rory Becker, James Lowe, Julie Francis, Marty Rogers, Mark E. Miller, Danny Walker, Mike Bies, Douglas Kullen, Elaine Hale, Mary Hopkins, Bob Martin, Craig Bromley, Scott McKern, Lynn Harrell, Russell Tanner, Paul Sanders, Ranel Capron, Jacquelin St. Clair, Karina Bryan, Krystal Hazen-McCreary, John Albanese, Anne McKibbin, Adam Graves, Lance Buns (Joe Daniele), John P. Laughlin, Darlene Conrad, Jana Pastor, Steve Sutter

Agency/Contractor Reports

Office of the Wyoming State Archaeologist - Archaeological Survey (sent by Paul Sanders)

This summer's fieldwork included work on Wyoming Department of Transportation, Wyoming Army National Guard, State Parks, US Forest Service, and National Park Service (Yellowstone). Work in Yellowstone focused on a second year of fieldwork searching for archaeological sites related to the 1877 Nez Perce Trail by Dan Eakin. A site with an early fur trapper component and one of Gen Oliver Howard's 1877 military camps were the primary finds.

This past summer, OWSA's Richard Adams, accompanied by students and volunteers continued work at the High Rise Village site in the Wind River Range and began documentation of four other alpine village sites. All of these villages are above 10,200 feet above sea level and are located where the sub-alpine whitebark forest gives way to the alpine zone. The artifact assemblages are characterized by Late Prehistoric arrowheads like side and tri-notched, Rose Spring and Cottonwood Triangulars. Manos are always present and there is a rough one-to-one correspondence between the number of manos and the number of lodges at a village. Three villages have clay pottery, but not steatite bowls. One radiocarbon date from the High Rise Village is older than all but two of the radiocarbon dated alpine villages in the Great Basin. More radiocarbon dates from alpine villages will be presented at the RMAC and Plains Conferences.

The pottery is Intermountain Ware in that it is plain, grey to brown, grit tempered, undecorated, and low fired; however, two vessels have a double curve, suggesting a constricted neck of some sort. Refits have not been attempted.

For the last three years Dave Reiss and Dan Wolf have supervised crews surveying the Wyoming Army National Guards newly acquired land called the Gray Rocks Ranch. The project area includes about 22,000 acres west of and adjacent to the WYARNG South Training Area. The area is southeast of the North Platte River and immediately north of the Laramie River or now Gray Rocks Reservoir. So far about 15,000 acres have been surveyed. This new area has been in private land ownership until the National Guard purchased the area so it is relatively free of any major impacts. So far the area has yielded some 277 stone circles some with associated stone cairns and some unidentified rock alignments. A few circles are extremely large with diameters up to 11 meters. The stone circles vary from single stone circles, to a large complex on the edge of a tall ridge consisting of 75 circles. The average grouping is about 5-12 circles. One circle is located on top of a prominent butte with a depression within the circle and two linear single stone lines extending about 40 meters, one to the south and one to the west. Initially, this circle was identified as a possible eagle trap, but could represent numerous other spiritual associations. Another circle is called the "Perfect Stone Circle" based the apparent extreme care taken to build the feature and the fact that it was made from a single row of contiguous rocks. Professionals viewing this circle agree that they have never seen such a well built circle. Currently, it is thought this circle represents a prehistoric component rather than a recent historic manufacture based on lithic remains present, and other nearby stone circles. Unlike other adjacent National Guard properties, this area does not contain any large natural occurrences of chert or quartzite and thus, the lithic scatters are generally less dense and smaller in lithic numbers than those found on the other National Guard properties. A few larger lithic scatters do exist which may suggest the groups were returning from some of the stone quarries located several miles to the northeast while the smaller lithic scatters may indicate the groups which had not yet been to these stone quarries. The area seems to have a relatively large number of stone alignments which may represent religious or other spiritual connotations. Numerous segments of the Oregon Trail have also been identified including two limestone kiln remains thought to have been operated by soldiers from Fort Laramie around 1849.

Finally, a cache of 18 stone scrapers was identified on a previously recorded site in the North Training Area as a result of a small disturbance from a tire track made on wet ground. The scrapers were in a tight grouping within a 10 cm wide by 17 cm long by 5-10 cm BS. The scrapers are of different sizes and raw material types, but generally are 5-15 cm in size. Since this cache was within the sod level, it is unknown if these were deposited prehistorically or were deposited by an early pot hunter or collector of the site. No formal excavations have, as yet, been conducted.

Elaine Skinner Hale, Archeologist with the Branch of Environmental Quality, RPA

Yellowstone has been, and still is a very busy place this season. The University of Montana Archeological Field School conducted survey and National Register testing on Swan Lake Flats and identified several new precontact and historic sites and expanded the boundary and tested several known sites. The field school then moved to the north end of Yellowstone Lake and completed site documentation of known sites and conducted survey along the lake terraces. Field School Leader, Dr. Douglas MacDonald will present this year's findings at the Plains anthropological Conference in Norman, OK.

Dan Eakin, the Office of the Wyoming State Archeologist, continued the Nez Perce Trail Archeological Survey locating a camp where General Howard rested his troops and wagons on his pursuit of the Nez Perce over Mary Mountain. He investigated several other areas in the Hayden Valley and the Pelican Valley. Dan will return next year to continue the investigations.

Paul Sanders, the Office of the Wyoming State Archeologist Chief, finished archeological survey in the Old Faithful developed area and near Mammoth Hot Springs in support of the park's comprehensive planning efforts. The crew located a stone quarry where it is believed that the stones of the Fort Yellowstone NHL building in Mammoth were cut by Scottish stone masons.

Bob and Betty Lou Rosenberg, in association with the OWSA, are conducting field documentation and archival research of the views and paths of the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River. The park is proposing a Historic District for these colorful walks, paths and views.

Clayton Fraser has gotten the park's Mission 66 historic context project well underway this summer with site visits and lots of archival research.

The 16 bridges constructed during that era were added to the project as well as a re-evaluation of the Canyon Cabins area within the context of the entire park Mission 66 program. The time-line for the project has been extended with these additions.

The many small project such as back-country trail reroutes, work on buried utilities, buried fuel tank remediation, etc are too numerous to identify here.

State Parks & Cultural Resources Commissioners Update, July 27, 2009, SHPO/OWSA (From Mary Hopkins and Mark Miller)

I. 2009 Centennial Farm and Ranch. Please mark your calendar and plan on attending the Centennial Farm and Ranch celebration at the Wyoming State Fair on August 15th. The event starts at 11 a.m. at the Pioneer Museum followed by a BBQ picnic. The Arts Council will be dedicating a new sculpture also this day. Our congressional delegation will be participating and many other elected officials. This is a

special event and we would love to have all commissioners attend! Lunch is on the Farm Bureau and Department of Agriculture.

II. 2008 Centennial Ranch Yearbook. The 2008 Centennial Ranch Yearbook is being printed and will be available at the celebration. Please contact Nancy Weidel if you are interested in previous editions or would like to receive a copy.

III. Gateway West. SHPO met with the Governor's office, BLM, URS and Tetra-Tech on the Gateway West power line DRAFT Administrative EIS. Various routes are under consideration and historic properties are being identified and taken into account. Major stress points include potential effects to the National Historic Trails, routing around Fort Fred Steele and a proposed route through the Laramie Peak area. SHPO is working closely with BLM and the Governor's office to develop routes which have the least effect on cultural resources. We will also be involved in the negotiation of a Programmatic Agreement involving the BLM, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the Idaho SHPO, and other interested parties.

IV. Historic Architecture Fund. The Historic Architecture Assistance Fund has assisted seventeen property owners for a total of \$64,500 to date. In partnership with the Wyoming Main Street program, there have been a total of thirty grants for a grand sum of \$119,000. Both programs have \$100,000 for the biennium. In the past, SHPO had been criticized for not having architectural expertise on staff and this funding allows our office to provide these services to Wyoming property owners without having to have permanent staffing. We have five architectural firms under contract which allows us to select a consultant near the project or someone who has specialized expertise. There is still time to apply to receive this assistance from this program. Please spread the word about this effort and if you are interested in applying, please contact Betsy Bradley.

V. Living Upstairs in Wyoming. The Living Upstairs Workshop held in Sheridan in early May attracted a larger than expected attendance. The attendees included folks that have not formerly attended our events and included realtors and property owners. Linda Fabian represented the Commission and the Wyoming State Historical Society at the event. An awards banquet was held at the Sheridan Inn with Representative Rosie Berger as the MC. SHPO presented the "Outstanding CLG" award to the City of Casper.

VI. Wyoming Association of Municipalities. Our presentations on critical collaborations around building codes and sustainable issues and historic buildings drew record attendance at WAM. The effort to reach out to building code officials throughout Wyoming was successful and we will continue to work to understand one another's requirements. Betsy Bradley and Kara Hahn represented SHPO at WAM this year. Please pass the word to your city manager, engineer, planner, etc. that this information is available from SHPO about historic buildings.

VII. BIA and Tribal Outreach. Work proceeds on a Programmatic Agreement between the SHPO, BIA, Northern Arapaho THPO, and Eastern Shoshone tribe on the upgrade of the irrigation system on the Wind River Reservation. Mary Hopkins and John Laughlin met with BIA and tribal officials to discuss mitigation. The ACHP has been invited to participate by the BIA. The agreement should be finalized in the near future and is the first PA developed with the BIA and THPO involvement on the Wind River Reservation.

VIII. Mine Byways/Monuments and Markers. Significant progress has been made on Monuments and Markers and the Historic Mine Trail and Byway System.

The interpretive plan for Olinger's Overlook (soon to be renamed) is complete. The database upgrade is on schedule to be completed by the end of the year.

Consultation with the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapahoe on sign text is underway. Laura Nowlin has been in contact with members of the previous Mine Byway Commission and has completed a plan for interpretation along the first Byway. Signs have been ordered and the installation will begin in the next few weeks. Mark your calendar to attend the sign dedication at the Carissa Mine Property on September 10 at 3:00 p.m. We will then drive the byway and meet in Lander for dinner. Please RSVP to Laura Nowlin if you would like to join us for dinner. 307-777-6179.

IX. Cemetery Workshop. A free workshop on stone preservation will be held in Casper at the Highland Cemetery on July 30 from 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M. this is part of the Monuments and Markers Stewardship Program. A gravestone conservator will teach techniques in conserving, stabilizing, and cleaning gravestones and demonstrate how to join broken gravestone fragments with the correct materials and how to re-set stones. For more information, log onto WYOSHPO.ORG OR CALL 307-777-6179.

Travel and Tourism Sign workshop. Laura Nowlin presented at Travel and Tourism sign workshops (May 13, June 8, June 30)

X. National Register Review Board Meeting: The next Review Board meeting is scheduled for September 10 and 11, 2009 at South Pass City State Historic Site. In addition to the meeting and tour of South Pass City Historic Site, we also plan to celebrate the opening of the "Gold Flakes to Yellowcake Historic Mine Trail" as the first installed Historic Mine Trail Byway. There will be a sign dedication at the Carissa Mine and the board will travel the Byway from South Pass City to Waltman, Wy.

XI. National Register of Historic Places Listings

The National Park Service listed the following four properties on the National Register of Historic Places.

Weston County - Newcastle Commercial District, Newcastle Listed on 4/21/09

The Newcastle Commercial District is nominated because the 23 buildings are related to the late nineteenth and early twentieth century growth and commercial development of the county seat. The district retains the flavor of a small early-to-mid twentieth century American downtown with a concentration of diverse commercial and public buildings clustered along its main street.

Natrona County - Odd Fellows Building, 136 S. Wolcott Street, Casper Listed on 6/18/09

The modern Odd Fellows Building was touted as contributing to and representative of Casper's progress in 1952 at the height of the post-World War II building boom at the time that the city was developing as a major commercial center. The forward-looking design represents Jan Wilking's approach to mid-twentieth century building design in small western cities: modernity that was not extreme or radical.

Sublette County - Sommers Ranch Headquarters Historic District, 734 Co. Rd. 23-110, Pinedale vicinity Listed on 6/18/09

The Sommers Ranch Headquarters Historic District is a representative example of the numerous modest ranches of the upper Green River Valley basin. Today, the ranch remains in operation on the land originally settled by the Sommers. The meadows, ditches, corrals and outbuildings they established in 1908 are still in use and have been maintained or improved for over 100 years. Brother and sister are what their grandparents and parents were: small, well-respected ranchers, the backbone of a ranch, a community, and Wyoming.

Laramie County - Crow Creek--Cole Ranch Headquarters Historic District, 1065 Happy Jack Road, Cheyenne vicinity Listed on 7/14/09

The Crow Creek/Cole Ranch Headquarters Historic District, with its distinctive buildings, irrigation ditch, grazing lands, and irrigated hay meadow, represents cattle ranching in southeastern Wyoming during the period between 1879 and 1972. The property, developed by Andrew Gilchrist during the early cattle bonanza years of the 1870s, represents both that era as well as the Cole family ranching operation, which was characteristic of stock raising in Laramie County. The 1890 bank barn is eligible as a noteworthy example of a bank barn with stone basement and upper level designed for hay storage.

XVI. Upcoming nominations. Staff toured the Green River Drift Stock Trail and is considering nominating the property to the NRHP. Upcoming nominations include the Finley Site, the Sheridan Fairgrounds, the Headquarters Cabin, and the Laramie University Neighborhood. Contact Kara Hahn if you are interested in any of these nominations or would like to attend the board meeting.

XVII. Torrington Downtown. Kara Hahn, Nancy Weidel, and Betsy Bradley met with a group of downtown property owners in Torrington on July 14 in response to a request from Roger Huckfeldt, who attended the Sheridan Workshop. SHPO staff presented information on forming a Certified Local Government, the National Register of Historic Places, and using tax credits for rehabilitating downtown buildings. The group toured the blocks of downtown Torrington and talked about storefronts. Subsequently, a Historic Architecture Assistance Grant was awarded collectively to six property owners in Torrington for conceptual storefront redesign work. The initiative in Torrington is the result of the collaboration between the Main Street Program and SHPO.

XVIII. Simpson Ridge Wind Farm. Staff is working closely with Horizon Wind Energy to site a large scale wind farm near the historic town site of Carbon and the Carbon cemetery. This project is not a federal undertaking, however will be reviewed by the Industrial Siting Council. Visual impacts to this property cannot be avoided and the company is working to provide assistance to the Cemetery Association as well as other public products. This project maybe put on hold due to Sage Grouse issues in Wyoming.

XIX. Context Development. Draft documents are being reviewed of the Military Context (WWI- Cold War), Historic Schools, and Ranching, Homesteading, and Stock grazing. An RFP for the New Deal Context is being circulated for bid. Contact Judy Wolf if you are interested in these documents at 307-766-5366.

XX. Resource Management Plans. Buffalo, Lander, and Big Horn Basin BLM resource management plans are all in progress. SHPO is a cooperator and is working closely with BLM and other state agencies to insure cultural resources are addressed during the planning process. All are running concurrently and the schedule is tight to provide comment and attend meetings.

XXI. WAAM Proclamation. Governor Freudenthal will sign the Wyoming Archaeology Month Proclamation on August 26th at 10 a.m. in his office. Please consider attending this event and plan on attending the WAAM speaker in September (TBA).

XXII. Wind Conference. The Governor's office is sponsoring a Wind Conference at the University of Wyoming on August 13th and 14th. Mary Hopkins, Jack Palma and Tom Lahti will present on cultural resource issues. The conference agenda is included in this packet.

XXIII. Legislative Subcommittee on Wind. Mary Hopkins will provide information on cultural resource issues during the State portion of the regulatory presentation to the Legislative Wind Task Force. Senator Anderson is the chairman of the committee. The meeting will be held August 26th in Casper.

XXIV. USFS PA Training. Richard Currit, Laura Nowlin, and Mary Hopkins participated in the training of forest service cultural resource specialists on the implementation of the Programmatic Agreement in Casper. Supervisor training will be held on August 3 for all management staff.

XXV. National Park Service. Betsy Bradley, Kara Hahn and Mary Hopkins will be meeting with staff from Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Park to discuss the implementation of the nationwide PA and the development of state level agreements. We will also be touring proposed projects such as the renovations of Lake Hotel. This is schedule for the week of September 21th, 2009.

XXVI. Cody WAS. On May 19, the State Archaeologist gave a program to the Absaroka Chapter of the Wyoming Archaeological Society on the topic of Military Sites in Wyoming. Fifteen people attended.

XXVII. Bottle Research Group. In the middle of May, Dale Wedel, Office of the Wyoming State Archaeologist (OWSA); along with Dr. Charles Reher, of the University of Wyoming; Teresa Sherwood, of the Wyoming Territorial Prison; Danny Walker, OWSA; and Marty Rogers, OWSA-University of Wyoming Archaeological Repository; provided assistance to researchers from the Bottle Research Group. The group looked at the bottle collections from Ft. Fred Steele, Ft. Laramie, Wyoming Territorial Prison, the UW Pine Bluffs Archaeological Project, the Spring Creek Dump Site in Laramie, and a single bottle from South Pass City. The information will be used to enhance the Historic Bottle Identification and Information Website developed for the BLM and now hosted by the Society for Historical Archaeology. The information gathered regarding maker's marks will also be used for a journal article and a book they plan to author on the subject.

XXVIII. Rock Springs WAS. On May 28, the State Archaeologist delivered a program on the Dune Murder site in Carbon County to the Sweetwater County chapter of the Wyoming Archaeological Society. Thirty-five people attended.

XXIV. Wyoming Public Television. Mary Hopkins and Dr. Mark Miller traveled to Riverton to attend the premier of the Atlantic Rim Historic Trails Documentary on Wyoming PBS. Dr. Miller was interviewed on air. This effort was the result of negotiation of the Atlantic Rim Programmatic Agreement. The program aired throughout Wyoming during their fund drive. DVDs will be available soon. The BLM, Anadarko and SHPO are working on a final distribution agreement for the production.

XXV. Casper WAS. On May 13, Dr. Danny Walker, Assistant State Archaeologist, delivered a talk to the Casper Chapter of the Wyoming Archaeological Society on the 2008 field work at the Battle of Red Buttes. Thirty-nine people attended.

XXVI. University of Wyoming Class Lecture. On April 20, Danny Walker, Assistant State Archaeologist, delivered a talk to the Introduction to Archaeology Class at the University of Wyoming about the History of Historical Archaeology in Wyoming. 63 students were in class that day.

XXVII. Military Sites Program at Sinks Canyon. The State Archaeologist delivered a PowerPoint program at Sinks Canyon State Park on July 14, 2009 entitled "Military Sites in Wyoming: 1700-1920." Forty people attended the event.

XXVIII. Museum Assistance. Brian Waitkus of the OWSA Archaeological Survey assisted L. J. Turner at the Rock Pile Museum in Gillette regarding excavated sites in the county including the Ruby site, which will help the museum with their interpretations. Marty Rogers provided help to Terry Girouard, Director of the Campbell County Rockpile Museum which will aid in the creation of new displays and the improvement of current displays. Steve Sutter also provided information to the museum on previous research in the Campbell County area.

XXIX. Emigrant Trail Assistance. Brian Waitkus discussed the fire history along the California Trail with David Lowe of the California Interpretive Trail Center. Interest was expressed in the Native American practices of burning the range for various reasons along the transportation route.

XXX. Wild About OREO Educators camp program. Dan Eakin of the OWSA Archaeological Survey gave a presentation on the Nez Perce project at the evening campfire of this group. The Wyoming Game and Fish Department's Dennie Hammer praised him as very articulate, a good presenter, and skillful in answering questions. The following day he led a field trip for around 15 people to one of the Sheepeater Indian sheep traps on our Spence-Moriarity wildlife habitat management area.

XXXI. Fall WAPA Meeting. The fall Wyoming Association of Professional Archaeologists will be held in Lander on September 25th.

XXXII. OWSA Fieldwork. Dr. Danny Walker has spent another field season at Ft. Laramie National Historic Site and is working at the Wardell Buffalo Kill site in Sublette County. OWSA crews are at Guernsey and Yellowstone as well as many other projects throughout the state.

WAPA, 2009 Fall Meeting Agency Reports BLM, Cody Field Office (Kierson Crume)

I. 14,000 acre block inventory in northern Oregon Basin in anticipation of a Geophysical Project (Golder, Associates)

II. 4.7 miles of the Wiley Canal evaluated for NRHP eligibility in anticipation of a road improvement / rehabilitation (Rosenberg Historical Consultants)

III. 2nd Annual Wyoming Site Stewardship Program training (WY SHPO)

IV. Take It Outside 'Living Landscape' project in environmental education (partner with Greybull River Sustainable Landscape Ecology non-profit)

V. Oregon Basin Petroglyph Clean-Up Day (partner with WAS, Absaroka Chapter, NWCC, Intro to Archaeology, and the Wyoming Site Stewardship Program)

VI. Dedication of the 'Escape the Clark's Fork' interpretive sign at Edelweiss (partner with Cody Chapter, Nez Perce Trail Foundation non-profit, and the University of San Diego Extension at Sacramento, California)

VII. Bighorn Basin Resource Management Plan revision (Worland and Cody Field Office 1-EIS, with 2-Record of Decisions)

BLMPFO (Dave Vlcek)

Busy busy. The Jonah archaeology exhibit is open at the Museum of the Mountain Man now. Artifacts from Jonah from Paleoindian times through the late Prehistoric, a reconstructed life size sagebrush Archaic house pit, many illustrations of the Early Archaic occupation and excavated houses of Jonah are on display, as is an atlatl with dart. More to come after next winter.

Re excavations, Jana, the Heidi site, but perhaps more importantly, the Sidewinder Site which you can summarize better than me. Can't wait to see the C-14 dates; the late points have me worried.

Crowley and Drucker found a whole new variant of the Lander Trail using William H. Wagner's 1857 survey maps and notes. So we have some 7 miles of new trail that Wagoner "constructed" a mile or so north of the trail as it appears on the modern topo and other maps.

If I can post images, let me know. I'll downsize a couple of the museum display and send along.