



# Sacramento Archeological Society, Inc. Newsletter

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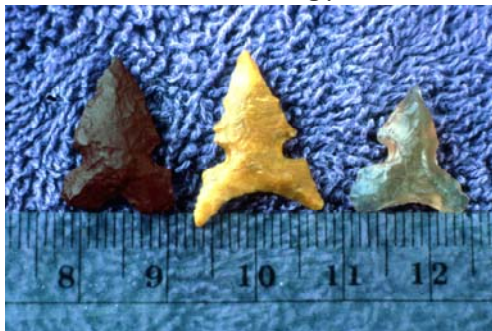
## "Perspectives on California Archaeology"

Presentations

by prominent archaeologists

**Gerrit Fenenga**

Clovis Blade Technology at Tulare Lake



**Mary Maniery**

Sierra crest to Newcastle Archaeology



**Shannon Tushingam**

Smith River Archaeology

**Glenn Farris**

Archaeology at Fort Ross

**Sunday, March 27, 2011**

**2:00 to 4:30 p.m.**

at

**Arthur F. Turner Community Library**

**1212 Merkley Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 ☐ (916) 375-6465**

Join SAS for a fun and educational afternoon as we discuss the dimensions of California archaeology. Open to all. Come hear prominent northern California archaeologists discuss the history and ancient life of our area. This event kicks off the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting in Sacramento. Come and participate in an afternoon of archaeology presentations. Snacks provided.

**This event is a great opportunity to become a SAS member and meet others interested in archaeology. SAS members admitted FREE. \$5.00 donation suggested**

for non-members. All proceeds go to the SAS Scholarship Fund to support college students working to become archaeology professionals.

**THIS EVENT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC  
COME AND BRING A FRIEND!**

## **UPCOMING AND PROPOSED EVENTS FOR 2011**

### **Sacramento Archeological Society Events**

Planning continues for Society events for 2011.

- March 27, 2011, Sunday – “Perspectives on California Archaeology”
- March 31, 2011, Thursday - SAA Sacramento River Tour, lead by John Foster
- Flint Knapping class by Gary Alexander
- Joint activity with State Indian Museum - TBD
- August 20, 2011 - Sierra Nevada Rock Art Field Trip, lead by Dan Foster
- Humboldt County Archaeology Tour – targeted for fall
- Exeter Rocky Hill Rock Art Tour – TBD
- Meeting with speaker: Possibilities include Chris Corey (Indian Mounds of Sacramento Area); Dan Foster (The Ycatan Maya); Dennis Fenwick (Peru Archaeology); John Foster (Spain and the World that Produced Columbus); Mike Rondeau (Fluted Projectile Points in California)

## **Olmec: Colossal Masterworks of Ancient Mexico**

**February 19 to May 8, 2011**

**de Young**

Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco



*Olmec: Colossal Masterworks of Ancient Mexico*, featuring over 100 objects drawn primarily from Mexican national collections with additional loans from over 25 museums, is presented at the de Young Museum. Included in the exhibition are colossal heads, a large-scale throne, and monumental stelae in addition to precious small-scale vessels, figures, adornments, and masks. *Olmec* brings together for the first time new finds and monuments that have never been seen by American audiences and reveals new scholarship on Olmec culture and artifacts. For details see: <http://deyoung.famsf.org/deyoung/exhibitions/olmec-colossal-masterworks-ancient-mexico>

# **Prehistory & Wintun/Patwin History of Yolo County and West Sacramento**

by April Farnham  
Sunday, February 27, 2011  
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

April Farnham will highlight Wintun/Patwin local history for the West Sacramento Historical Society on February 27<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. For more details contact April at [april\\_farnham@sbcglobal.net](mailto:april_farnham@sbcglobal.net).

## **Navaho Blankets of the Classic Period (ca. 1800 – 1865)**

by Tyrone Campbell  
Sunday, February 27, 2011  
10 a.m.

Marin Center, 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael

The Navajo did not always weave. In the middle of the 17<sup>th</sup> century, they began sheep herding and gathering, carding, and spinning their own wool. By the late 17 century they learned to weave from their neighbors, the Pueblo Indians. While Pueblo men were the weavers, it was the Navajo women who wove. The weaving skills of the Navajo craftswomen surpassed those of the Spanish and the Pueblo within a few decades. Navajo blankets became prized possessions.

Tyrone Campbell is a noted author, lecturer, consultant and dealer in antique Navajo and Pueblo weavings

## **Society for California Archaeology 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting**

March 10-12, 2011

Attend the Society for California Archaeology 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting at Doubletree Hotel, Rohnert Park, CA. For more detail, visit [www.schome.org](http://www.schome.org).

## **Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting**

March 30 – April 3, 2011

Attend Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting at Sacramento Convention Center. Sessions will cover archaeological topics on practically every region and specialty. A river tour will be hosted by our president, John Foster on Thursday, March 31. For details, visit <http://www.saa.org>

# Scholarship Corner

## 2011 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Get Ready

Due May 1, 2009

The Sacramento Archeological Society, Inc. (SAS) is seeking applicants for one or more scholarships. **The total funds available are about \$1,400.** The scholarships may be in lesser amounts, so that more scholarships may be awarded. Should several worthy applications be received, funding in excess of \$1,400 may be available.

Scholarships will be considered in archeology and related fields for undergraduate and graduate students. Examples for which scholarships may be awarded, but are not limited to, the following:

- participation in a field school
- obsidian hydration dating
- a special project
- a special need for project related materials and/or equipment
- tuition for a field school

### Requirements:

- Scholarship Application Form (see [www.sacarcheology.org](http://www.sacarcheology.org) for form)
- An explanation of about 200 words that describes your proposal.
- An itemized budget
- One copy of your transcripts (need not be official, copy is OK)
- Two letters of recommendation

### Evaluation Criteria:

1. Is the application complete?
2. Does proposal promote the training of archeologists?
3. Does proposal support the collection and dissemination of archeological data?
4. Does proposal promote accessibility of archeological data to the public?
5. Is it likely that the project will be completed in 12 months?

This year's deadline for applications is **May 1, 2011**. All application materials must be **postmarked** by this date. Successful applicants are expected to present their project results in a public presentation sponsored by SAS.

If you have questions, contact Jan Johansen, at [janjohansen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:janjohansen@sbcglobal.net) or 707-682-6031. Please mail the completed application to:

Jan Johansen

**Sacramento Archeological Society, Inc.**

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# 2010 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS PRESENTATIONS

By

**Naomi Scher**  
**Gary Alexander**  
**Allison Barden**  
**Brandon Li**

On Saturday, February 5 four scholarship recipients spoke on the areas of study that were made possible by the Society's scholarships.



- Naomi Scher, Sonoma State University graduate student - thesis research for "A Geoarchaeological Assessment of the Potential for Buried Archaeological Sites in the Vacaville Area of Solano County, California"



- Gary Alexander, American River College - flint knapping workshop through the Center for American Archaeology



- Allison Barden, UC Berkeley - archaeological field school in Guam
- Brandon Li, UC Berkeley - archaeological field school in Japan



The presentations were first rate. We expect a follow-on presentation for Naomi when she finishes her thesis. Gary has offered to give Society members a class on flint knapping. Stay tuned. Allison hopes to go back to Guam for further study and Brandon is preparing for graduate school. Hopefully we will hear more as their studies continue.

## **DONATIONS AND RENEWAL OF ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS**

January 1 is the renewal date for all memberships except those who join recently (after September, 2010). If you have not done so already, please support the Society by paying your 2011 dues now. The donations enable the Society to offer scholarships to archaeology/anthropology students.

### **Recent renewals include**

Frank & Clare Gallardo, Lacey Kalber, Susan Wellington



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**April 16, 2011** - 1:30. - 3:30 p.m., **The Two Worlds of Ishi**, The California Indian Museum and Cultural Center, 5250 Aero Drive, Santa Rosa, CA

**May 1, 2011** – Scholarship applications due



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