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Alibates Flint



NEWSLETTER
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Archeological Societies**

CVAS Picnic-July 24th

The July meeting will be the annual picnic, which will be held at the Commissary Building at Ft. Concho at 6 P.M.

CVAS will provide the meat, tea, ice, bread, and cutlery. Members with last names beginning from A-G, please bring a salad. Those with last names beginning with H through N, please bring a vegetable. Those from O through Z, please bring a dessert. Also, those with interesting board games or other items of entertainment, or musical instruments, are encourage to bring them. There will also be valuable door prizes.

Brownell Roberts, Arnetta Cooper, and Christine Buckstead, will do a short program on their visit to the [Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument](#) while attending the TAS Field School last month at Peryton. For thousands of years, people came to the red bluffs above the Canadian River for flint that was vital to their existence. Alibates flint is a multi-colored stone with the ability to hold a sharp edge. Prehistoric people needed raw materials for tools and weapons, and Alibates flint was some of the finest.

Call for Papers **Texas Archeological Society** **Annual Meeting** **October 24-26, 2008**

The Annual Meeting is returning to Lubbock in 2008, and in some ways the TAS is coming home. Many of the pioneers of Texas Archeology and founders of the TAS got their starts in the Southern Plains! This is the first call soliciting presentations. All members are invited to submit abstracts of papers, symposia, and poster displays to be presented at the Annual Meeting. Authors will be notified in September if their paper has been accepted (please note the deadlines provided below). All presentation rooms will be equipped with PowerPoint projectors and laptop computers. Presenters requiring a slide projector or overheard projector must make a special request of the Program Chair.

Individual Papers – Titles and Abstracts are due by September 1, 2008.

Symposia – Titles and Abstracts are due by August 15, 2008.

Poster Presentations – Titles and Abstracts are due by September 1, 2008.

TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION OFFERS WORLD WAR II ORAL HISTORY TRAINING AND A PUBLIC FORUM

SAN ANGELO, Texas — The Texas Historical Commission (THC), in conjunction with the Tom Green County Historical Commission and historic Fort Concho, will conduct a free oral history training workshop from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, July 12. There will also be a public meeting to discuss area World War II military and home front sites from 1–2 p.m. at the Living History Stables “Classroom” at Fort Concho in San Angelo. The workshop, one of a series taking place across the state with funding provided by the Houston Endowment, the Summerlee Foundation of Dallas and other private donors is designed for people wishing to learn how to conduct and record oral histories pertaining to World War II and provide the public with an opportunity to discuss local World War II military and home front sites.

WHO: THC, historians from Baylor University’s Institute for Oral History, the Tom Green County Historical Commission and Fort Concho

WHAT: World War II oral history training. Military and home front sites workshop

WHEN: Saturday, July 12, 9 a.m.–noon and 1– 2 p.m.

WHERE: Living History Stables “Classroom” at Fort Concho,
236 Henry O. Flipper Street, San Angelo, Texas
(Flipper St. is located off of South Oakes St., 1/2 mile south of downtown)

BACKGROUND: The workshops, titled “Here and There: Recollections of Texas in World War II,” are part of the THC’s Texas in World War II initiative, a program to honor and preserve the memories of Texans who served in the armed forces during World War II and the contribution they made to the war effort. Partnering with the THC on these workshops is Baylor University’s Institute for Oral History. Historical markers, a commemorative brochure and a military/home front sites survey are part of this special program.

The Texas Historical Commission is the state agency for historic preservation. The agency administers a variety of programs to preserve the archeological, historical and cultural resources

Mark Your Calendar

- ◆ July 24 Picnic
- ◆ August 28 Meeting
- ◆ September 25 Meeting
- ◆ October 13 Archeology Fair
- ◆ October 23 Meeting
- ◆ November 20 Meeting
- ◆ December Christmas Dinner

The [Concho Valley Archeological Society](#) is a non profit organization. Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of every month except July, November and December. We meet in the commissary building located at Ft. Concho, at 7 PM. Refreshments are offered. Dues are \$15 for singles, and \$20 for families. Students and military personnel dues are free. Visitors are always welcome. This newsletter is edited/published by [Claude Hudspeth](#) 325-949-9077
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Additional Dates for Presa Canyon & Upper Seminole Canyon Tours

[Seminole Canyon State Park](#) has added additional dates for the popular Presa Canyon and Upper Seminole Canyon tours during the Fall 08 and Spring 09 season. Please be sure to mark your calendar. Presa is a strenuous all day hike into a beautiful canyon with numerous rock art sites including Black Cave. Upper Seminole Canyon is a moderate 3 hour walk which includes Caballo Shelter. Please contact Seminole Canyon State Park for reservations - 432-292-4464.

Presa Canyon

September 27

October 11

October 18

November 15

November 29

December 20

January 03

Upper Canyon

September 28

October 12

October 19

November 16

November 30

December 21

January 04

The field trip committee will begin making plans for a field trip to Seminole Canyon for the Presa Canyon all day hike and the shorter Upper Canyon tour. . Now is the time to begin conditioning yourself if you are interested in participating in the tour of Presa Canyon.

Archaeological Legacy Institute

Friends and colleagues: The life of an itinerant archaeological field technician alternates memorable thrills with spells of boredom, proud accomplishment with tedious frustration, and takes lots of just plain work. See more about how this plays out as the T-Bone saga of fieldwork life continues in *Shovel Bum in Alaska*, the latest video feature on our nonprofit streaming-media Web site, **The Archaeology Channel** (<http://www.archaeologychannel.org>).

Alaska is the setting for the fourth Shovel Bum e-zine extravaganza, featuring Trent DeBoer's drawings and real voice. T-Bone and friends have hired out for an archaeological survey at Cold Bay, on the tip the Alaska Peninsula. Their first task is to qualify at rifle-shooting as a precaution against the numerous and huge brown bears. Braving this threat along with wolverines, gales, and floating bogs, T-Bone encounters Japanese fishing floats and huge village sites, sips whisky at the local bar, and finally returns home to Betsy with his new long beard.

This and other programs are available on TAC for your use and enjoyment. We urge you to support this public service by participating in our Membership (<http://www.archaeologychannel.org/member.html>) and Underwriting (<http://www.archaeologychannel.org/sponsor.shtml>) programs. Only with your help can we continue and enhance our nonprofit public-education and visitor-supported programming. We also welcome new content partners as we reach out to the world community.



2008 Membership Application

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I pledge that I will not intentionally violate the terms and conditions of any present or future federal, state or local statute concerning cultural resources, or engage in the practice of buying or selling of artifacts for commercial purposes, or engage in the willful destruction of archeological data, or disregard proper archeological field techniques.

Signature _____ Date _____

Mail to: CVAS c/o W. Gregory, 250 Loch Ness Road, San Angelo, TX 76901-9521

