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UPAC WINTER MEETINGS

UPAC winter meetings will be held at the State Historical Society, 300 Rio Grande, in Salt Lake City on December 5 and 6, 1986. The business meeting will be held from 1:00 to 5:00 pm on the afternoon of Friday, December 5.

The Friday evening symposium, organized by Asa Nielson, will focus on Historic Archeology. The Symposium will start at 7:00 pm. This symposium is open to the public, all professional and avocational archeologists and historians are invited to attend or participate. Those participating who haven't yet sent in their abstracts should do so immediately to Asa Neilson at 105 ALLN, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah 84602, 801-378-4783.

On Saturday Morning, December 6, at 9:00 am, the Historic Archeology Symposium will continue if necessary. Following the symposium, we will have the current research reports. Please contact Alan Schroedl, 801-467-5446, if you wish to give a short presentation on your current research. A slide projector will be available.

WINTER MEETING TOPICS

Below are some of the topics that may be addressed at the business meeting of UPAC, if you have any comments or additions, Please call Alan Schroedl, 801-467-5446.

Section 106 Changes

Jim Dykman, Assistant Preservation Coordinator, has offered to present to UPAC information on the latest revisions to Section 106 at the Business meeting.

Forest Highway 10

The positive results of UPAC's concern with the Highway 10 data recovery program will be discussed at the winter meetings.

Publication Program for Utah Archeology and Avocational Participation

We want to continue to discuss the role of avocational archeologist and lay people in the discipline of archeology. As cutbacks start to affect the professional community we must make an effort to legitimize the discipline building a public support base for archeology.

UPAC DUES

We apologize for the recent problems with the collection and processing of dues for UPAC. Jim Wilde has taken over the duties of Treasurer and has begun to straighten out all of the problems. Please note that annual UPAC dues are due at the winter meeting of UPAC. Bring your money or checkbook to the winter meeting.

UPDATED MAILING LIST

We are currently updating the membership listing and mailing list for UPAC. If you know of individuals, agencies or organizations that are not on the mailing list but have an active interest in the prehistory of Utah, please send their name and address to either Jim Wilde, Treasurer at 105 ALLN, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, 84602 or Alan R. Schroedl, President, at 2212 S. West Temple, *21, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84115.

SUMMER MEETING

The summer meeting of UPAC was held at Zion National Park on July 18 and 19. The Symposium - The Protohistoric Period in the West - was held

Friday afternoon. Speakers at the Symposium were Peter Pilles, David Wilcox, Joel Janetski, Deborah Dosh and Steven Simms.

The business meeting was held Saturday morning. Several major topics were discussed. Through an oversight by the Election committee, the position of UPAC Newsletter Editor was not included on the ballot in the previous election. Betsy L. Tipps was nominated for the position of UPAC newsletter editor. The vote on the editorship will be taken at the December UPAC meetings.

Jim Wilde, as the newly elected Treasurer, said that he would reorganize the membership list and take care of the past problems surrounding the payment of UPAC dues.

The need for a statewide research design was broached again at this meeting and a lively discussion ensued. During the discussions, Jim Dykman noted that the SHPO office had a mandate to develop a statewide research program. This came as a surprise to most of the membership and Jim offered to make available for professional comment the sections of the design that were nearing completion. Preliminary copies of this document "UTAH COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING: ARCHAEOLOGY" are available at P-III Associates, 2212 South West Temple, #21, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84115 and at the Utah SHPO office, 300 Rio Grande, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101. Jim will also bring copies of the draft to the winter meetings for interested parties.

At this meeting, several members brought up the issue of a recent contract for a data recovery program along U.S. Forest Highway 10. Issues raised included lack of involvement of local federal and state archeologists in the review and selection process, and the scientific adequacy of a data recovery program restricted to an arbitrary portion of a site. These issues were raised with the Forest Service, the BLM, the SHPO, Utah Department of Transportation, Utah State Archeologist's office, Federal Highway Administration, the National Park Service and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. Numerous letters and meetings were conducted with little direct impact.

Also discussed was the the reburial issue and whether or not UPAC needs to take a position on the subject. A committee was formed to discuss the issue and present the results at the next (December 1986) UPAC meeting. Lamar Lindsay is chairman of the committee. Other members include Joel Janetski, Rich Fike, Duncan Metcalfe, Bob Leonard, Dennis

O'Rourke, Ann Hannibal, and Tom King as a consultant. Any comments about reburial should be directed to the committee members.

A committee was also formed to pursue the possibility of joint UPAC/USAS journal or publication that would serve as a local outlet for publication of recent research efforts in the State. Dave Madsen is chairman of this committee; George Tripp and Al Lichty are the committee members. UPAC contacted the University of Utah Press, the BLM and the Brigham Young University to encourage more publications regarding archeology in Utah. While all institutions and agencies are sympathetic to the need to disseminate archeological research data, all noted their funding constraint relative to the burgeoning crop of significant unpublished materials. Only the BLM appears to have a viable publication program that will continue into the future.

As part of this discussion, several members raised the issue of the need to integrate avocational archeologists into professional programs. This ideas was discussed and hopefully will receive more attention at the next meeting.

At this meeting, it was agreed that UPAC should oppose federal agencies undertaking archeological contract work that was previously conducted by private contractors. This effort on behalf of federal agencies is seen as a way to circumvent Gramm-Rudman-Hollings legislation. UPAC sent a letter of its position to all federal agencies with the State of Utah. Several agencies responded back. Apparently, an investigation is being conducted by Department of Interior Solicitor concerning this issue. By the time of the winter meetings, further information may be available.

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