

# Newsletter

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2015 CTA Spring Meeting  
April 3, 2014

Business Meeting: Camp Mabry  
Building 8, Austin, Texas

CTA Social: Pease Park  
1100 Kingsbury St., Austin, Texas



## President's Forum

By Missi Green

Since last we all met, there has been movement on the MAP (Making Archeology Public) project. The initiative is still very viable and though the committee has made progress we are still in some preliminary stages. Although we asked the Texas professional and advocational archeological community at the Fall TAS business meeting to vote on projects that currently exist on Texas Beyond History with the idea that we could take one on those and rush forward with a quick and easy film about one site, we found that that would not be as easy as first thought after all. After meeting in December to get things moving, the committee realized that just presenting one site or project couldn't represent Texas or the true spirit of the initiative, which is to celebrate the National Historic Preservation Act and what it has done to improve the understanding of past peoples and their lifeways in Texas through CRM. After all, if it wasn't for the NHPA, many states would not have statutes and guidelines, such as our Antiquities Code, that help protect, preserve, and manage their/our cultural resources.

So a broader topic that would encompass a number of sites over much of the extent of Texas prehistory and history was suggested. That topic is currently called "What's for Dinner: Texas Cooking through Time". Utilizing Texas Beyond History, the committee has pulled together graphics and data that will be woven into a short film. Our next step is to provide as many of the graphics and the script to the MAP steering committee for final approval and direction. We may ask some of you for additional photos and/or particular input into the script, or if you have some ideas that the topic could benefit from, please let one of the committee members know as soon as possible. (And in case you don't remember who they are: Ann Scott, Katherine



Turner-Pearson, Mary Jo Galindo, Michael Smith, Susan Dial, Duane Peter, Allyson Walsh, Missi Green.) So as you can see, we still have work to do and some money to raise, but we feel confident that we will have a film that is both educational and entertaining in the spirit of the initiative.

Things have been rather quiet for CTA in the last year or so, but with the new Legislature back in session, I'm sure we'll have plenty to digest and work with this year. Please keep us updated on items that you feel are important to CTA and the ability to do our jobs well and manage our cultural resources.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Austin and hope that this year is a good one for all.



## INSTRUCTIONS:

Everyone who comes to the meeting at Camp Mabry must bring a photo ID. Tell the guard that you are attending the CTA Spring Meeting in Building 8. Please do not park in the small parking lot at the west entrance of Building 8, but continue on to the large parking lot to the east. Anyone who is NOT a current member and plans to attend the meeting or social will need to contact Kristi Miller Ulrich ([indyjonestx@gmail.com](mailto:indyjonestx@gmail.com)) to register. Lunch can be purchased on site or there are several restaurants nearby.



## Secretary Report

By Kristi Miller Nichols

Hello everyone! Here is your friendly reminder that it is time to renew memberships for the 2015 year. As you know, membership with CTA is on a yearly basis, with each new year starting on January 1. Everyone's 2014 membership expired on December 31, 2014. Membership renewals can be done in several ways. You are able to pay online via PayPal through the CTA website ([www.counciloftexasarcheologists.org](http://www.counciloftexasarcheologists.org)) or by completing a membership renewal form (also on our website) and mailing it with a check to Council of Texas Archeologists c/o Kristi Miller Nichols, Raba Kistner Environmental, Inc., 12821 W. Golden Lane, San Antonio, Texas 78249. Please review our membership fees. Contractor fees are \$125 per year. Remember, you must be a member as well to be listed on the Contractors list. The other membership level fees have remained the same as stated on the webpage.

Please take a moment to join the CTA\_org Yahoo! Group. All notices to the CTA membership are posted to this email list and this is our main way of communicating with the CTA membership. This will be the quickest way to be up to date



on changes and upcoming events and issues. If you are not currently on this list, please forward your current email address to Mindy Bonine at [ebony2071@yahoo.com](mailto:ebony2071@yahoo.com) and she will see that you are added to the list server.

As of the beginning of March, our membership consists of 2 students, 50 professionals, and 18 contractors. Our numbers are a little low, so let's try to get those renewals in. Membership fees are where we bring in the majority of our revenue to use for scholarships, grants, and meetings. Please renew your memberships and encourage others to join CTA.

## Treasurer Report

By Carole Leezer

In this issue of the CTA newsletter, you will find a proposed 2016 budget. Please review and be ready to discuss and vote on the proposed budget at the Spring Meeting. I am also excited to announce that CTA has acquired a “Square” that will enable us to take credit card payments in person at the Spring Meeting. Costs will be the same as PayPal: Contractor Listing \$129, Profession Member (income >20k) \$31, Professional Member (income <20K) \$16, Student (income >20K) \$26, Student (income <20K) \$16. So get your credit cards ready!

As of February 24, 2014, our Checking account contains \$13,322.51; the Money Market Savings account contains \$18,907.51 and our Scholarship Fund contains \$9,021.50.



## Newsletter Editor Report

By Mindy Bonine

You may notice that the CTA Newsletter looks a little different for this issue. After looking into producing an electronic newsletter, I have decided to instead convert the newsletter to differnet program (InDesign) and I took the liberty of sprucing up the format. The newsletter will be uploaded onto the website as a PDF, as usual.

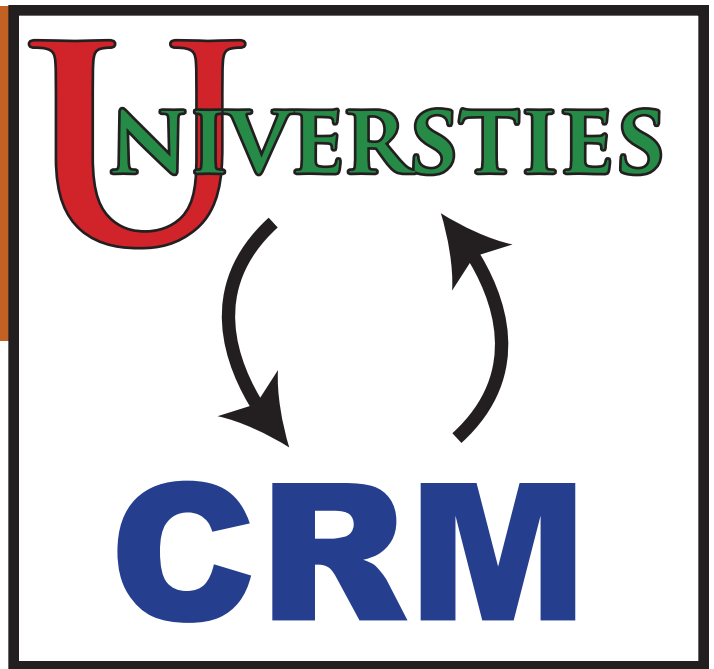
With this new format, there is a lot of room for images and other graphics. So, when you submit your articles and announcements, feel free to add an image!



## Academic Archaeology and CRM Committee Report

By Todd Ahlman

The Academic Archaeology and CRM committee met January 29, 2015 in Austin to discuss plans for 2015. Two initiatives were discussed and put into place. The first is to establish a listing of universities, colleges, and technical schools in Texas that offer anthropology degrees. We submitted a call for information to 18 schools in the state. Once we receive a few responses, the information will be posted on the CTA website as a resource for students interested in archaeology as a career. The second initiative is to establish a series of workshops that would benefit the CTA membership. Our first planned workshop is tentatively entitled: Section 106 and the Texas Antiquities Code: Things you know and things you probably should know. We currently are looking at a mid-September date and anticipate a class of up to 20 people. Thanks to a generous donation from the CTA Executive Committee, we will be able to offer a lower cost to students who are CTA members. Look for more information in May 2015.



## Anti-looting Committee Report

### Looting in Texas: An Examination of the TARL Database

By: Jeffery R. Hanson, Dana Anthony, and  
Dana Ritchie-Parker

#### *Introduction*

To investigate the degree to which archaeological sites in Texas have been affected by looting, the Council of Texas Archaeologists Special Committee on Looting (COL) conducted a systematic and representative survey of site records from the Texas Archaeological Research Laboratory (TARL). This study was prompted by an earlier study by Dan Potter in 2006. That study, "Measuring Archaeological Site Survival in Texas" (Potter 2006) was conducted with the assistance of volunteers from the Texas Archaeological Stewardship Network, which collected data from field investigations of a random selection of sites from 31 counties chosen for the convenience for site steward field investigation. In all, data were collected for 372 archaeological sites. Of these, 7 percent of the sites were found to have been affected by looting, while 2 percent were found to be affected by vandalism.

#### *Methods*

In the present study, three members of the COL examined large numbers of site records from every county in Texas, representing all eleven of the regions demarcated by the Texas Archaeological Society. The method was to examine the spreadsheet files from the Data Download function from the Sites Atlas website. These spreadsheets contain columns of information based on the site records submitted by site recorders. We examined as many site records as was feasible given time



constraints. In some cases, every site recorded for particular counties was examined. In other cases, due to the large numbers of recorded sites, samples were examined. In all cases, these samples constituted 10 percent or more of the recorded sites within a county data download. So, while the overall sample was not random, we feel that it was representative.

There were several methodological issues that need to be addressed. First and foremost, the TARL site records contain multiple forms that are not consistent in the type of information requested. Some of the early forms were lacking substantial amounts of information. Perhaps any mention of looting was in the recorders notes, but didn't make it to a site form. We found that the most useful form was the one in which these two fields were included: "Natural" and "Artificial" conditions. Natural conditions included entries regarding erosion or inundation, while artificial conditions included entries on looting, collecting and vandalism. Some of the data, particularly in regards to artificial/natural impacts, is subjective. For example, the terms "collecting", "possible collecting", and "probable collecting" was subject to variation from one site recorder to the next. While they could be referencing similar observations, though may have described them differently. One assumption of our methods is that when someone recorded a site being "collected,"



we considered that not to be an authorized or sponsored activity, as in a normal survey. Some of the site recorders included descriptions about why they believe the site was collected, which was helpful in determining degree of collecting. Also, some recorders didn't mention anything about collecting, which made us wonder whether there truly was no evidence of even minor collecting, or if minor surface collecting wasn't seen as a big enough impact to note. We also had to make some judgments about whether to include "possibly looted" or "probably looted" (or collected or vandalized) in the L-V-C data. We took a somewhat conservative approach and counted "probably" looted as an affirmative, but "possibly" as a negative. So, it is possible that we have underrepresented the amount of looting that has been occurring. Another reason why our number might be low is that it is not always possible to positively tell if a site has been collected. While potholes are easy to spot in rock shelters or on sites with high visibility, there are a substantial number of sites with heavy vegetation where looting is much more difficult to discern. We think that one improvement that could be made to the site forms would be to have a separate field for looting, vandalism and collecting.

### Results

In all, data from 36,965 sites were examined from all eleven of the TAS regions. As Table 1 shows, of these sites, 2,307 sites, 6.2 percent had been looted, collected, or vandalized (L-V-C). This is slightly less than that determined from the Potter study. There was quite a bit of variation from one region to the next. Regions 1 and 10 had the highest percentages of L-C-V sites at 9.4% and 9.3%, respectively. On the other hand, Regions 4 and 5 showed the lowest percentages of L-V-C sites at 2.4% and 2.5%, respectively.

**Table 1. Frequency and percentage of looted, vandalized, or collected sites for all counties in the 11 TAS Regions.**

Region	Sites	L-V-C	%
1	1465	138	9.4
2	1162	56	6
3	4302	211	4.9
4	3992	96	2.4
5	1912	47	2.5
6	782	37	4.7
7	2813	136	4.8
9	4698	303	6.4
10	7211	675	9.3
11	3844	288	8
12	4784	320	7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36965</b>	<b>2307</b>	<b>6.2</b>

**Table 2. Top ranked counties for looted, vandalized and collected sites.**

Region	County	Sites	LVC	Percent	Rank
1	Hutchinson	86	25	29	1
3	Stephens	277	65	23	2
9	Bastrop	295	58	20	3
12	Uvalde	329	62	19	4
10	Menard	58	10	17	5
2	Nolan	237	39	16	6
10	Irion	284	44	15	7
1	Potter	332	48	14	8
12	Bandera	252	35	14	8
10	Reagan	137	18	13	9
10	Sutton	597	68	11	10
11	Jeff Davis	608	67	11	10
11	El Paso	416	43	10	11
10	Crane	981	99	10	11
7	Zapata	478	50	10	11
12	Kerr	592	57	10	11
6	Refugio	122	12	10	11
9	San Saba	729	68	9	12
4	Red River	116	10	9	12

When looking at county data, we ranked the top 19 counties for L-V-C sites (Table 2). The top five highest percentages of these sites were found in Hutchinson (29%), Stephens (23%), Bastrop (20%), Uvalde (19%) and Menard (17%) counties.

There was less looting, vandalism, and collecting than we had anticipated, which is good news for the overall health of our archaeological sites, although as we indicated, the actual amount of looting may be underreported. Also, we found that, by far, the most significant factors in causing damage to archaeological sites were erosion/flooding and construction.

### ***Recommendations***

To more accurately track looting, vandalism and collecting, a separate field should be added to the site survey forms as well as the data download spreadsheet. This might make site recorders more mindful to look for evidence of this kind of activity and to note it appropriately. We also think that TARK should develop explicit and standardized condition assessment and site damage assessment forms that should be used in future site surveys or site updates. This would provide a measure of baseline data to better track looting and vandalism activity.

## THC Reports

### **TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION REPORTS: ARCHEOLOGY DIVISION STAFF UPDATE**

**Pat Mercado-Allinger**  
Archeology Division Director & State  
Archeologist

Archeology Division staff changes were in progress last spring as noted in the March 2014 issue of the Council of Texas Archeologists Newsletter. Filling the final slots on the archeological review team are David Camarena and Kerry Nichols, formerly of El Paso and Missouri, respectively. David has several years of experience working for archeological consulting firms in Texas and New Mexico. Kerry comes to us from the State Historic Preservation Office in St. Joseph, Missouri and has prior archeological experience in several western states.

These staffing additions have enabled us to reconfigure the regional review assignments. The following map gives a visual representation of the revised regions. For county-level contact information we refer you to the Texas Historical Commission (THC) website at the following URL: [http://www.thc.state.tx.us/contact#contact\\_county](http://www.thc.state.tx.us/contact#contact_county). This link also provides contact information for THC's architectural reviewers.



## ABSTRACT CHANGES AND CURATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ANTIQUITIES CODE PERMIT CLEARANCE

Bradford Jones  
Curatorial Facility Certification Program  
Coordinator

Under “terms and conditions” printed on each Archeology Antiquities Permit is the following statement:

2) ... all specimens, artifacts, materials, samples, and original filed notes, maps, drawings, and photographs resulting from the investigation remains the property of the State of Texas, or its political subdivision, and must be curated at a certified repository. *Verification of curation by the repository is also required, and duplicate copies of any requested records shall be furnished to the Commission before any permit will be considered complete.*

In other words, if you want to clear your permit, you need to curate the project. The purpose of this article is to explain how upcoming changes to the Abstract Form will mean changes to how the THC assesses the completion of curation requirements for a Principal Investigator (PI) to clear an Antiquities Code permit. These changes do not include any revisions to the Texas Antiquities Code, or Chapters 26 and 29 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC), but rather reflect internal changes to THC forms and procedures meant to redress an oversight in how and when PIs are notified of permit clearance as well as how THC collects all the required data.

### ***Curation Responsibilities for PIs of Antiquities Code Permitted Archeological Investigations***

Beyond the permit itself, the responsibilities of PIs in regard to the curation of Antiquities Code permitted projects, as well as the ownership of all project data, are clearly stated in TAC Title 13, Part 2, Chapter 26 Subchapter C, Rule 26.17 (Principal Investigator’s Responsibilities for Disposition of Archeological Artifacts and Data) (*italics added for emphasis*):



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(a) Processing. Principal investigators who receive permits *shall be responsible for cleaning, conserving, cataloguing, packaging in archival materials; arranging for the curation of all collections, specimens, samples, and records; and for the reporting of results of the investigation.*

(b) Ownership. *All specimens, artifacts, materials, samples, original field notes, maps, drawings, photographs, and standard state site survey forms resulting from the investigations remain the property of State of Texas.* Certain exceptions left to the discretion of the commission are contained in Texas Natural Resources Code, §191.052(b). The commission will determine the final disposition of all artifacts, specimens, materials, and data recovered by investigations on landmarks or potential landmarks, which remain the property of the State. Antiquities from landmarks are of inestimable historical and scientific value and should be preserved and utilized in such a way as to benefit all the citizens of Texas. Such antiquities shall never be used for commercial exploitation.

Prior to the enactment of Chapter 29, the latter portion of (b) stating that the “commission will determine the final disposition of all artifacts, specimens, materials, and data recovered by investigations on landmarks or potential landmarks, which remain the property of the State” meant that the curatorial facility was any

location agreed upon in coordination with the THC. When Chapter 29 of the TAC was adopted, however, it established new requirements on how state associated collections generated through archeological projects conducted under the Antiquities Code were curated by requiring curation in a THC certified curatorial facility. Chapter 29 also reiterated the necessity of verification of curation to precede the clearance of a permit. From Texas Administrative Code, Title 13, Part 2, Chapter 29, Rule 29.5 (italics added for emphasis):

(a) Ownership. *All specimens, artifacts, materials, and samples plus original field notes, maps, drawings, photographs, and standard state site survey forms, resulting from the investigations remain the property of the State of Texas.* Certain exceptions left to the discretion of the Commission are contained in the Texas Natural Resources Code, §191.052(b). The Commission will determine the final disposition of all artifacts, specimens, materials, and data recovered by investigations on State Archeological Landmarks or potential landmarks, which remain the property of the State. Antiquities from State Archeological Landmarks are of inestimable historical and scientific value and should be preserved and utilized in such a way as to benefit all the citizens of Texas. It is the rule of the Commission that such antiquities shall never be used for commercial exploitation. (see also 13 TAC §26.27 (relating to Principal Investigator's Responsibilities for Disposition of Archeological Artifacts and Data)).

(b) Housing, conserving, and exhibiting antiquities from State Archeological Landmarks. (see also 13 TAC §26.27)

(1) After investigation of a State Archeological Landmark has culminated in the reporting of results, the antiquities will be permanently preserved in research collections at a

*curatorial facility certified by the Commission. Prior to the expiration of a permit, proof that archeological collections and related field notes are housed in a curatorial facility is required. Failure to demonstrate proof before the permit expiration date may result in the principal investigator and co-principal investigator falling into default status. (see also 13 TAC §26.27)*

Therefore, any artifacts, notes, photos or other records collected under an Antiquities Code permit are state associated collections - regardless of whether or not artifacts were collected, or even if the investigations generated no archeological sites - and their curation is a prerequisite to permit clearance. While it is clear in the rules, an unanticipated consequence of THC's permit clearance process has been the unintentional confusion among contract archeologists, THC reviewers, and curatorial facilities about what requires proof of curation through the wording of the Abstract Form.

### ***Abstract Problems, Practical Consequences***

Currently, when PIs submit the Abstract Form with their final reports they are asked "Were Artifacts Curated?", and if so, what is the "Name of Repository, if Curated?" Logically, most abstract submittals for projects that did not collect artifacts in the field are not marked as having artifacts, and the curation facility is often left blank. This information is then sent to the Archeology Division, where the responses are entered into a THC database and a Final Report & Permit Completion Form is printed and issued to the project reviewer handling that permit. If artifacts were not indicated as being curated, the reviewer receives a report indicating that "Curation Form Received" is Not Applicable and as per general practices signs off on the permit if all other aspects meet THC requirements. As a result, a no-collect survey that records 100 eligible sites will receive a permit clearance letter even if the curation is not yet complete

(with no consistent mechanism in place to insure that the curation is actually carried out), but a survey that found and collected one diagnostic point from one SAL-ineligible site and indicated artifacts curated on the Abstract Form will not be cleared until a curation form is received.

A number of problems with this system should be immediately apparent. First, clearance of a permit without receipt of proof of curation is not in keeping with THC rules and procedures. Primarily, this reflects a longstanding practice at the THC of assuming good faith on the part of the PI to fully complete the project and uphold their professional and ethical responsibilities with respect to negative or no-collect surveys.

Second, because the practice of clearing no-collect and negative surveys without curation forms is now long-standing at the THC, there is confusion on the part of the reviewers as to what the responsibilities of the PI are. The reality is that reviewers have routinely cleared no-collect or negative projects without proof of curation, and many have concurred with statements in reports that identify the firm itself as the location of curation. This may be sufficient for federal projects on private property, but since no contracting firm is a certified curatorial facility, and all state associated collections must be curated in certified facility, this is simply unacceptable.

Third, the issuance of permit clearance letters to contract firms ahead of curation has meant that these letters are submitted to curatorial facilities along with the project documents. In response, curatorial facilities, such as the Texas Archeological Research Laboratory, ceased issuing curation forms for no-collect or negative surveys with completed permit letters unless the PI requested it. As a result, the THC often does not receive notification, even when contract firms are fulfilling all their obligations.

Finally, it is the stated job of the THC to maintain

a comprehensive list of held-in-trust (HIT) collections generated under Antiquities Code permits. Held-in-trust is a designation given to state associated collections that have been accessioned into certified curatorial facilities. This database is maintained by the Curatorial Facilities Certification Program Manager and relies on the receipt of the curation forms generated from the permitted projects. For permitted projects that do not get curated, we simply do not know where they are, or have to accept that they are maintained in perpetuity by a private firm - a concept that is daunting to the curatorial facilities and frankly laughable at the level of private firms and individuals.

### ***Abstract Changes, Concrete Effects***

The changes being enacted are primarily designed to correct and improve THC record keeping. However, though many firms consistently curate their projects, it has become clear that some firms and individuals are not curating their collections as they are required to do, and the THC's current system is not properly requiring proof or tracking the location of HIT collections. Not only does this create the potential for CRM groups to cheat the system, but it also has the unfortunate collateral effect of leaving our records regarding the location of state associated collections incomplete, effectively nullifying, or at least greatly handicapping their future research potential or opportunities for the data to be re-evaluated by future studies.

To address these issues, we will take the following steps. First, both THC review staff and certified curatorial facilities have been informed on the issues and are already taking steps to correct current practices. In this regard, all certified curatorial facilities will now send a curation form to the THC for any Antiquities Code permitted project they receive and accept. Among reviewers, to further facilitate this, we are also modifying the Abstract Form and will now ask the submitting PI to indicate all of the

following that apply to the project: (1) Federal-Artifacts & Records; (2) Federal-Records Only; (3) TAC-Artifacts & Records; (4) TAC-Records Only. Location of curation will remain as is. This change will eliminate the confusion regarding when curation forms are necessary, and it will immediately indicate to the appropriate THC staff whether any additional information is required regarding curation prior to clearance of the permit. Whereas projects that are federal only will not need to demonstrate further proof of curation to the THC, all Antiquities Code projects will need a curation form from a certified curatorial facility prior to permit clearance. As a result no-collect or negative projects will no longer be accepted as complete until the paperwork has been received.



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## PERMITTED MARINE ARCHEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS

Amy Borgens  
State Marine Archeologist

Each month, the Texas Historical Commission (THC) receives many inquiries about marine permitting, investigative procedures, and permit qualifications. The Marine Archeology Program is currently developing a web-available guidance document that will summarize and expand on information presented in the Texas Administrative Code, Title 13, Part 2, Chapters 26 and 28. It will offer

additional instructions for conducting marine archeological investigations in Texas and clarify existing requirements.

Most of the projects reviewed by the Marine Archeology Program that occur in state waters will also require permitting through the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). The THC works closely with USACE archeologists in evaluating marine-based work activities to ensure submerged cultural resources (known and undiscovered) are adequately protected. The Antiquities Permit Application for underwater archeology is separate



from that used for terrestrial investigations and archeological work conducted under the basic “survey” category includes preliminary dive investigations and ground-truthing of significant remote-sensing targets. Principal investigators, at the most basic permit level, must be underwater archeologists that are not only proficient in remote-sensing data collection, processing, and interpretation (the majority of marine investigative work), but also be divers familiar with submerged underwater sites. It is at this stage of investigation that underwater anomalies detected during the survey may be determined to be historic sites. Diver investigation is often the only means of determining if a significant target is indeed an archeological site. Ground-truthing at the “survey” level can include visual inspection, probing, and controlled and limited removal of overlying sediment.

A new development with permit application submittals was implemented by the Texas General Land Office (GLO) last spring. The GLO is often the signatory as “landowner” for work conducted in state waters. Antiquities Permit applicants will now also be required to submit an access agreement (“Authorization to Conduct Underwater Archeology”) with that agency for work conducted on their land as part of the permitting process.

Marine reports produced under Antiquities Permits differ from standard CRM reports in several categories, most notably in the discussion of the survey methodology. The most basic and common CRM underwater investigation is a remote-sensing survey that employs a magnetometer and side scan sonar as the main tools. Reports summarizing such work must include detailed discussion not only of the equipment utilized during the survey, but how this data was processed, and the different interpretative models used for identifying significant magnetometer targets. In the explanation of results, the author(s) must discuss how the interpretive models were used to either identify or discount magnetometer

anomalies discovered during the survey as significant targets.

Reports produced for underwater investigation also include discussion of reported shipwrecks in the project area, in addition to descriptions of known archeological sites. This background research is required for all permitted reports submitted to the agency for review, even if the survey does not locate significant anomalies. It is often presented as a table summary of potential resources in the project area. The THC has an extensive database documenting reported vessel losses in state waters that includes more than 1800 entries that can be accessed online in the THC’s Restricted Archeological Sites Atlas. The second standard database consulted when compiling this information is National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration’s (NOAA) Automated Wrecks and Obstructions Information System, otherwise known as AWOIS, which is also available online.

These reports also include a summary of navigational improvements in the project area, indicating bottom-disturbing activities that may affect interpretation of results (channel creation and etc.) and document major construction projects that may have introduced impacts to undetected cultural resources. CRM reports typically contain a summary of previous archeological investigations conducted in the project area. Currently, only the land surveys are presented in Atlas, but the marine projects (of which there are more than 250) will be available when the website is re-launched. In the meantime, please consult the State Marine Archeologist ([amy.borgens@thc.state.tx.us](mailto:amy.borgens@thc.state.tx.us), 512-463-9505) for this information.



# Announcements

## TEXAS HISTORICAL FOUNDATION —Established in 1954—

February 11, 2015

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Gene Krane, 512-441-1297 for more information

### Central Texas Archaeologist Named to Texas Historical Foundation Board

AUSTIN, Texas—The Texas Historical Foundation, a 61-year old preservation organization, announced the recent election of Dr. D. Clark Wernecke, of Pflugerville, to its board of directors.

Wernecke is the executive director of the Gault School of Archaeological Research in San Marcos. With more than 30 years of field experience, he has surveyed important pre-historic and historic sites throughout Texas. Ongoing research at the Gault site has uncovered critical information about human life 13,000 years ago. Wernecke is affiliated with the Society for American Archaeology, the Texas Archaeological Society, and the Council of Texas Archaeologists.

David Martinez, president of THF, said, “This Foundation has a long record of supporting archaeological projects in the state. Wernecke’s expertise in this area will be especially important as we consider funding of future archaeological grant proposals.”

Since 1954, the Texas Historical Foundation has funded preservation and education projects around the state and helps promote the cultural legacy of Texas. Among the group’s main efforts is its award-winning Texas HERITAGE magazine and a preservation grants program. For information or to join the Foundation, visit [www.texashistoricalfoundation.org](http://www.texashistoricalfoundation.org).

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**Curation Packet**

Below is the information needed to curate materials at TARL. The necessary forms can be downloaded as PDF documents. All forms and documents submitted to TARL for curation must be on acid-free paper.

**Clarification of Held-in-Trust Status and Paperwork** (download PDF file)

Written Curation Policies and Procedures

- Flow Chart for Housing Material at TARL (download PDF file)
- Stipulations and Procedures for the Preparation of Archeological Records and Photographs; Curation Supplies and Sources (download PDF file)

Includes the following:

- Categories of Records to Submit for Curation
- Procedures for the Preparation of Archeological Records
- TARL Inventory Requirements
- Policy on Curation of Photographic Images
- Procedures for Preparation of Photographic Images
- Curation Supplies

- Stipulations and Procedures for the Preparation of Archeological Material Collections To Be Curated at TARL and Separation of Collections for Housing at TARL (download PDF file)
- Calculating Costs (download PDF file)
- Instructions for using the Collections Worksheet Template (download PDF file; use with the Excel template below)
- Instructions for using the Specimen Inventory Worksheet Template (download PDF file; use with Excel template below)

## TARL COLLECTION POLICIES

**Marybeth S. F. Tomka, M.A., PS Cert CM**  
**Head of Collections**  
**TARL, The University of Texas at Austin**

On January 1, 2015, TARL changed its collection policies including separation of collections and required forms. These changes and forms are now posted on our new website. The old url should redirect you, if not, this is the address: <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/orgs/tarl/>.

On Tuesday, March 24 at 1 PM, I will be holding a short overview of the new requirements as well as explaining the reasons for the changes, and providing some limited training in how to prepare a collection. We will also have a short segment on records if anyone would like a review of those stipulations. I ask that you all download the policies and review them before the meeting. We will meet in the conference room upstairs in the main TARL building unless we get inundated in which case we will move to the “A” portable.

I’d appreciate a heads up on who is likely to attend.

## CTA SUPPORT HELPS DIVERSIFY TEXAS ARCHEOLOGY

Thanks in part to a generous donation from CTA, six deserving individuals were able to attend the 2014 Texas Archeological Society (TAS) Field School on TAS Multicultural Program scholarships. Subcommittee chair Marie Archambeault reports that the 2014 Native American outreach program was another success! Four scholarships were awarded to individuals from Oklahoma and Texas representing three different tribes, and one of the 2014 recipients is also a student pursuing a degree in archeology! Recipients were returning participant Abby Brown of the Lipan Apache Band of Texas and youth participants Cristian and Samuel Swift of The Navajo Nation, and newcomer Ashley Vance of the Chickasaw Nation, who is also a student at St. Edward's University.

Recruitment efforts for 2015 Native American Field School Scholarships are already underway, and the committee hopes to award its 100th scholarship this year! Please consider making a donation to this program at the spring CTA meeting.



Collegiate Subcommittee Chair Tim Sullivan provides the following first-person accounts from the two scholarship recipients from Baylor University. Jacque Clark reports that "The TAS Field School was a fantastic opportunity to experience and learn more about the fascinating and amazing field of archeology. The opportunity was facilitated by my wonderful archeology professor, Carol Macaulay-Jameson. I worked on the historic site, and spent a few days learning about flotation with Dr. Leslie Bush. Despite the Texas heat I learned and experienced so much, and met so many amazing people who are as in love with archeology as I have become. I hope that in the future I can continue to attend the TAS field school and be a part of the phenomenal atmosphere and environment that is inherent in it."

Collegiate Scholarship recipient Vanessa Baum reports that "During my time at the TAS Field School in Columbus I was a member of the survey crew. Having done only prehistoric excavation prior to Columbus, I was unsure of what to expect on survey. Little did I know, survey at the Tait Ranch would be a bit unconventional. We worked in what could only be called a jungle, with very poor visibility of possible artifacts on the ground. This resulted in day after day of shovel and auger test pits. Though more physically demanding than my previous three



Native American Scholarship recipients Abby Brown of the Lipan Apache Band of Texas and Ashley Vance of the Chickasaw Nation exhibit the projectile points they found during excavations at the 2014 TAS Field School.

weeks of excavation in Coryell County with Baylor, I enjoyed every minute of digging hole after hole with the survey crew. Chris Meis created a very relaxed and welcoming environment for those of us who were inexperienced at survey and the rest of the crew helped out every step of the way, filling gaps in my knowledge and providing me with endless encouragement and information. One of my favorite parts of the day was the water break when more experienced members of the survey crew would share stories of previous TAS field schools.”

“To be honest, archeology wasn’t high on my list of potential career paths before the TAS Field School last summer. Having always leaned more toward cultural anthropology, I joined Baylor University’s archeology field school more out of loyalty to Carol Macaulay-Jameson than anything else. Not surprisingly, the people and culture of TAS completely won me over. I am in awe of the fact that so many of the same people come back year after year to wake up at 5:00 AM and work hard—for fun. I’m so appreciative of my experience at the TAS Field School. It has really pushed me to more heavily consider archeology as a career path.”

The Diversity Scholarship program has rolled out a number of recruiting initiatives since Laura I. Acuña was appointed as subcommittee chair in January 2015. She reports that Diversity Scholarships are being publicized via the TAS website, as well as a Multicultural Scholarship flyer that she developed with the rest of the committee to highlight the TAS Academies and 2015 Field School. With the help of the CTA Scholarship Committee, the Diversity subcommittee drafted a contact list of state universities and colleges. After Laura and subcommittee members Erin Nichols, Shea Maloney, and Robert Marcom emailed the flyer to those institutions, they determined that some of the contact information needed to be verified to ensure that scholarship information is available to all students who may be interested. The subcommittee is working with CTA to develop a master contact list with up-to-date information. Laura will bring copies of the Multicultural Scholarship flyer to the spring CTA meeting; please help her to spread the word about Diversity scholarships.



CTA member Leslie Bush shows Collegiate Scholarship recipient Jacque Clark of Baylor University how to process flotation samples at the 2014 TAS Field School.

The TAS Multicultural Program scholarships are supported entirely by donations from CTA, archeological contract firms, TAS members, and other sources, including you! These scholarships are helping to bring new faces and voices to Texas archeology, and CTA has played a large and long-standing role in this effort. Thank you!

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January 22, 2015

Missi Green  
President  
Council of Texas Archeology

Dear Ms. Green:

The French Legation Museum hosted its 9<sup>th</sup> annual Texas Archeology Month program, *Dig In! Archeology Day*, on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The program, aimed at raising awareness and educating the public about the importance of Texas archeology, celebrates Texas Archeology Month. Part of the focus is the importance of archeology to our understanding of this Republic of Texas historic site. With the generous support of the Council of Texas Archeology's grant the program remained free to the public. In addition, the museum was able to purchase supplies needed to expand the program and run it as part of the camp program.



This year the program faced heavy rainfall in the morning with a continued threat of rain throughout the day. Even with less than ideal weather, the program brought in 193 participants, 130 children and 63 adults. Upon arrival each child received a field journal to record his findings and was directed to the mock dig site where FLM staff demonstrated proper techniques. Once a child unearthed an artifact she took her finds to the *Dig In Lab* where the artifacts were cleaned and analyzed. The child then wrote a museum label and displayed the artifact in the *Dig In Museum*. Along with FLM staff and volunteers, Texas Archeological Society volunteers were on site to talk about archeology in Texas and provide additional activities.

The museum is pleased to continue the *Dig In! Archeology Day* program and excited to add additional archeology programs throughout the year. Thank you to the Council of Texas Archeologists for supporting the French Legation Museum and Texas Archeology.



Sincerely,

Jenny Phillips  
Museum Educator

## Fall 2014 CTA Meeting Minutes

Registration - 8:30 am  
Call to Order - 9:01 am

### Announcements

Mary Jo announced the TAS Bulletin Raffle.

### Approval of Minutes, Spring 2014 Meeting

Mark Denton motioned for the approval of the minutes. The motion was seconded. The membership voted, and the motion passed.

### Officers' Reports

**President (Missi Green):** Missi started the meeting by presenting a letter of support for Texas State on behalf of CTA for their new program.

Missi and Rachel Feit attended the Council of Councils at the SAAs in Austin. Rachel was able to present to the Council how CTA has been active in issues that pertain to archaeology in Texas. These included the passing of HB 2927, the Cemetery/Burial law, the salary and demographic survey, and the topic of uncontrolled digging. The most discussed topic at the Council of Councils concerned the show *Diggers* on the National Geographic Channel. The Vice President of the Channel heard the outcry and are working to make adjustments to how archaeology is portrayed.

Missi touched on the MAP (Making Archaeology Public) initiative. Pat Mercado-Allinger will discuss the initiative later in the meeting.

There were only two requests for the CTA grant supporting TAAM activities this year. She was not sure if it was due to bad list of emails or that people didn't need money.

**Past President (Rachel Feit):** Nothing to report

**Secretary (Kristi Miller Nichols):** At the time of the meeting, CTA had a total of 236 memberships. This was made up of 14 students, 162 professional members, and 61 contractors. We've already had

a few renewals since the newsletter went out. Remember that memberships expire at the end of each year. Also, please remember that an individual from the contracting firm must also have a membership to be listed on the Contractor's List. New listings to the Contractor's List should submit a word document description to either Shelly Fischbeck or me. Scans and PDFs are hard to convert, so Word is greatly appreciated.

When renewing, you can do so online through the CTA website, or fill out a membership form and mail to Kristi Miller Nichols, 12821 W. Golden Lane, San Antonio, TX 78249. This address has changed since the Spring meeting. Also, if you have any questions, you can contact me through email at [indyjonestx@gmail.com](mailto:indyjonestx@gmail.com).

**Treasurer (Carole Leezer):** As of October 21, 2014, our Checking account contains \$9,867.10; the Money Market account contains \$18,906.24; and our Scholarship Fund contains \$8,785.91. I will be sending out budgeting information to the Budget Ad Hoc Committee in February so they may draft the 2016 CTA Budget.

**Newsletter Editor (Mindy Bonine):** Newsletter was rather light. Lots of job changes may have resulted in not a lot of people being contacted or contacting us to fill the spaces that are normal.

Mindy mentioned that we may want to revamp the newsletter. She suggested that we may have better results if we have something a little more flexible. Maybe an electronic format instead of a PDF would work better. She was looking for feedback and ideas. She needed to find info on digital newsletters, and maybe look into not having the new format until Fall 2015.

### Agency Reports

**Texas Historical Commission (Pat Mercado-Allinger):** Pat introduced two new staff members: Kerry Nichols and David Camarena. They will help to lighten the load. All their information is on the website. THC recently hired a new position of

Atlas Coordinator to manage the entire atlas, not just archaeology.

Pat wanted to thank all those who are consistently submitting shape files. When you sent electronically, please include the permit number and the County in subject line, or a keyword if there is no permit. Permits are not considered complete until shape files are submitted.

Project review content on website is under review and will be updated. If you see something that is out of date, please let them know. They have ability to update their own content. Currently under development is the capacity in the near future to submit projects for review electronically. They currently do not have a date of when this will be active, but it will happen.

Repository recertification is coming up. Brad Jones is now the coordinator for the program. Talk to him if you have questions or issues.

Historic Sites division: Caddo Mounds Phase I is opening tomorrow. Second phase will open next month. SWCA is preparing NRHP nominations for several sites. LaBelle Temporary exhibit is opening tomorrow. Actual reconstruction of hull is taking place and being webcast. Work occurs Wednesday through Saturdays, through May 17th. Once the hull is complete, it will go in the main atrium and the LaBelle exhibit will be redone. The new exhibit will be opening next fall.

The new Texas Archaeology Month poster is available in the book room.

Texas Parks and Wildlife (Michael Strutt): Margaret Howard reported that there are things in the works but nothing is ready yet. They may have RFP for survey out by end of next year.

Texas Department of Transportation (Scott Pletka): TxDOT is going thru the assignment process where TxDOT has taken over FHWA approval process. There are changes in NEPA work handling. Lots of

good information concerning assignment process, NEPA documentation, Archaeology, and getting work thru his group is on the website.

Check out the Environmental Compliance Tool Kit. There are a series of toolkits to get through the TxDOT process on the website. If you want to be notified of updates, click on subscribe list. This is a helpful way of staying up to date.

TxDOT will issue a RFP for Archaeological general services contract by mid-November. They are due back the second week of January, with the idea of having contracts in place by February.

TxDOT is in the final process of revising the Programmatic Agreement. Changes are mostly cosmetic. They wanted to streamline the agreement. They cut sections, but then added more. There are lots of organizational changes but it's not going to have much of an effect on day to day running of projects. TxDOT added a separate category for projects with minor significance, and different tiers of review.

Mark Denton commented that those with historic architects need to look at the TxDOT sections. Archaeology is not much affected, but Historical has the most changes.

FHWA assignment would change the government to government tribal consultation to be FHWA responsibility.

RFP process may change in review of contractors. TxDOT is trying to make proposal streamline and documentation relatively low. They are revising the scope of services.

TxDOT has been thinking about how to satisfy the outreach program with their projects. They want to do it programmatically rather than project by project.

Texas Archeological Research Laboratory (Jonathan Jarvis): Jonathan reported that there

are lots of exciting things in the works at TARL, but in planning stages. If you have a burning research question, TARL has vast records and collections that can be used. Please come out and check it out. If you have something unusual with your records and collections, please let us know what you are planning are doing. There may be some requirements and programs that can help the process.

Jonathan introduced the new Director: Ryan Roberts. He will work on getting TARL reintegrated into the University and to help raise money.

Jonathan also introduced the new Head of Collections: Marybeth Tomka.

Marybeth had few announcements: TARL is changing access to human remains, what you can do with them, and how you can do it. Some collections are being raided. Non NAGRPA remains are being raided and that needs to slow down. TARL is going to change some things with collections. Phase I will be in January, and the new directives will be up on website. During the Spring, before CTA, she wants to hold workshops to show what and why they are changing. She still needs dates for those workshops. Big changes will happen to small collections and the new guidelines will be out and enforced by the end of April. By June you will have to meet the new regulations.

TARL will be bringing all organics out of Building 33 and move them into 35. In the future, do not box organics with the rest of the collection. They need to be kept separate. This may increase cost, but the collection will be better taken care of. Please keep artifacts in analytical categories. Do not lump them back together with the original assemblage.

When bagging artifacts, use tags no less than 6 X 8 cm. No bulk bone, shell, or metal should be labeled. Please double bag the lot rather than putting a small tag sleeve in big bag. Miscellaneous metal will not be accepted. For

debitage and ceramics, label half of the bag that is over the size of a quarter. Unique and diagnostic artifacts should be bagged separately. Samples reduced for analysis need to have before and after information. Discontinue labeling paper boxes. From now on, just put the label inside box. Marybeth will post a template for electronic collection inventory. Please use the template.

### Standing Committee Reports

Auditing (Mark Denton): Nothing to report

CTA Communications (Mindy Bonine): If you change jobs and you are chair of a committee, please let Mindy know. She needs the information to be able to contact you guys. Please forward a new email so she can update the website.

Mark Denton asked if contractors would like direct links to their website. Mindy said that they can talk to Shelly about that. It appears that companies would like that.

Contractors List (Shelly Fischbeck): Please note her corrected information. Contact her with new listings or questions.

Curation (Marybeth Tomka): Marybeth is now at TARL if you need to reach her. Marybeth said that there was not much to report from the committee. Please keep in mind that repositories are coming up for recertification and may need help from the Committee.

Governmental Affairs (Nesta Anderson): The Committee had not met since last spring. Nesta didn't think there is much to report. The committee should meet before next spring because lots of things are going to happen with new legislation.

Multicultural Relations (Mary Jo Galindo): Mary Jo announced that she recently changed jobs. There was nothing to report with the committee. Margaret Howard added that there were five Native American scholarship recipients, and

five collegiate scholarships. One of the Native American scholarship recipients was also a student. On November 8th the Austin Pow Wow will happen.

Nominating Committee (Bill Martin): Bill hadn't thought about what we need for spring meeting yet, but it would be discussed.

Public Education (David Brown): Not present. No report.

### Special Committee Reports

Academic Archeology and CRM (Todd Ahlman): The Committee had met and developed a new mission statement. They came up with ideas such as creating workshops for GIS, remote sensing, technical writing, and NRHP discussions. Todd spoke to the Forensic Archaeology department about hosting workshops. They had run ones for about \$200 per person per day. He mentioned that Rachel had suggested a tiered approach concerning workshop costs, and maybe receiving help from CTA to defray some of the costs. The committee was thinking of creating website with information and about skills. Please email Todd with any suggestions and ideas.

Anti-Looting Committee (Jeffery Hanson): Jeffery Hanson was not present. He had sent Missi an email several weeks ago about finishing the survey of site forms at TARL. He will have a report at the spring meeting.

History (Doug Boyd): Doug had nothing to report. He needed some information from the officers.

Membership (Becky Shelton): Chris Barry stepped down, and they need to add to the committee. The committee wanted to add Haley Rush.

### Old Business

Student grant applications: Students need to know about these.

Please renew your memberships! Please update

emails.

### New Business

The MAP - 50th Anniversary of NHPA: This is the brainchild of Lynn Sebastian. Each state was asked to come up with a short film showing what public can get out of Section 106 and what it means.

Pat and staff developed a quick way to do this. The submission needs work before the end of the year. What Pat has done is go into Texas Beyond History to develop list to recognize the archaeology in Texas. At TAS business meeting, there will be vote to pick top 3 of best representations of Section 106 projects in Texas. Once film is done it will be on website of the Advisory Committee.

Missi proposed that CTA help subsidize the film.

Pat noted that the staff pulled together initial list of Section 106 projects and short summaries. Copies of summaries and ballots will be at the luncheon. Film is to educate the public about archaeology.

Pat needs some help. She would like to meet in November to develop story boards. Story boards need to be done by end of year. Funding is donation and volunteer. Contractors could donate. A donation of \$100 to \$200 per contractor would be great, but need people help with developing the film. Need a minimum of \$2000 for film.

Please see Missi if you want to volunteer. Missi asked CTA to be involved. Mary Jo motioned to support the project. The motion was seconded. The membership voted to support, and the motion carried.

Carole looked at budget. Suggested that we solicit contractors donated and CTA will match, up to a \$5000 match. Mark Denton motioned that we set aside \$5000 for the film program. The motion was seconded. Membership voted and the motion passed. Missi asked for volunteers. Mary Jo, Susan Dial, Ally Walsh, Mindy, Anne Scott, Mike Smith,



and Katherine Turner Pearson volunteered. Mindy was going to add a link for Paypal donations for the film.

Membership Committee: (Becky Shelton): The committee wanted to add Haley Rush, and make her the Chair. Becky made motion for Haley to be the Committee Chair. The motion was seconded. Voted, Passed.

#### **Other New Business**

Marybeth Tomka asked that everyone look in the TAS packet that has all reports and to please review these before the business meeting.

Mark Denton noted that we needed to vote to authorize the executive committee to write letters and lobby during the upcoming legislature sessions. The motion made, seconded, and voted upon. The motion passed. Some bills may be introduced to fix problems in the Health and Safety code. Pat is going to look into making sure we don't lose the gains that we have recently made. The Farm Bureau may introduce similar bill as in 2011.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made and seconded. The membership voted and the motion carried.

**Meeting Adjourns - 10:23 pm**

**CTA Careers in Archeology Social - 8:45 pm**

## 2013-2014 Budget vs Actuals, 2015 Budget &amp; Proposed 2016

	2013 Budget	2013 Actual	2014 Budget	Actual 2014	2015 Budget	Proposed 2016
<b>INCOME (2014 Actuals)</b>						
Individual Memberships (138-\$30 + 17-\$15)	\$ 4,200.00	\$3,825.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,395.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Student Memberships (9-\$15 + 4-\$25 )	\$ 150.00	\$165.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 235.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 180.00
Contractor Listing Fees (58)	\$ 7,500.00	\$7,125.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,250.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
Individual Membership PayPal Fees (75-\$1.00)	\$ 75.00	\$62.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 65.00
Student Membership PayPal Fees(8-\$1.00)	\$ 5.00	\$4.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
Contractor Listing PayPal Fees (24-\$4.00)	\$ 100.00	\$100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 96.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00
Checking Interest	\$ 1.35	\$0.84	\$ 1.35	\$ 1.10	\$ 0.90	\$ 0.90
Money Market Interest	\$ 3.75	\$3.76	\$ 3.75	\$ 3.77	\$ 3.75	\$ 3.75
Scholarship Fund Interest (\$1.74)	\$ 100.00	\$67.74	\$ 100.00	\$ 1.74	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75
Other (Late fees)		\$80.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 12,135.10</b>	<b>\$11,433.34</b>	<b>\$ 12,235.10</b>	<b>\$ 12,145.61</b>	<b>\$ 11,965.40</b>	<b>\$ 11,965.40</b>
<b>GENERAL EXPENDITURES</b>						
Administrative Costs (Office Supplies \$15.98 + Checks \$64)	\$ 100.00	\$59.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 79.98	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Web Page Registration (bi-annual fee)	\$ 60.00	\$123.20	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
Spring Meeting/Social Expenses	\$ 800.00	\$726.96	\$ 800.00	\$ 888.15	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Fall TAS/CTA Social	\$ 525.00	\$705.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 525.00
PayPal Fees	\$ 175.00	\$182.92	\$ 175.00	\$ 211.09	\$ 190.00	\$ 190.00
Mtg)	\$ 300.00	\$0.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 292.19	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 2,460.00</b>	<b>\$1,797.08</b>	<b>\$ 1,910.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,996.41</b>	<b>\$ 1,775.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,775.00</b>
<b>COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES</b>						
Curation Committee	\$ 50.00	\$0.00	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Governmental Affairs	\$ 100.00	\$0.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Membership	\$ 100.00	\$0.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Multicultural Relations	\$ 50.00	\$0.00	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Public Education	\$ 100.00	\$0.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
General Committee Expenses	\$ 50.00	\$0.00	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
<b>TOTAL COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 450.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$ 450.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 225.00</b>	<b>\$ 225.00</b>
<b>DONATIONS</b>						
Archeological Conservancy	\$ 500.00	\$500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
CTA Scholarship Grant	\$ 1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00
TAAM Event Grants (divided among 5 applicants)	\$ 2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
TAS Research Support Fund	\$ 300.00	\$300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Texas Beyond History	\$ 2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
TAS Multicultural Program	\$ 2,100.00	\$2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00
<b>TOTAL DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$8,800.00</b>	<b>\$8,400.00</b>	<b>\$9,800.00</b>	<b>\$8,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,800.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,800.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 11,710.00</b>	<b>\$10,197.08</b>	<b>\$ 12,160.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,296.41</b>	<b>\$ 11,800.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,800.00</b>
<b>OVERALL BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 425.10</b>	<b>\$1,236.26</b>	<b>\$ 75.10</b>	<b>\$ 1,849.20</b>	<b>\$ 165.40</b>	<b>\$ 165.40</b>

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1.

Search for CTA\_org in Yahoo! Groups, and request to join. The group administrator receives a message asking for approval, which they will grant if you are a CTA member. You will then receive notice that you have been approved. This method enables group members to access the webpage for CTA\_org, look at the calendar, change their settings, review old messages, etc., as well as send and receive messages. It does require a Yahoo! ID, but is the easiest way to join.

2.

E-mail the group administrator at [ebony2071@yahoo.com](mailto:ebony2071@yahoo.com) and ask to join. They will then send you an invitation to join the group, which side-steps the approval process and you can join automatically. This method also enables group members to access the webpage for CTA\_org, look at the calendar, change their settings, review old messages, etc., as well as send and receive messages. This method requires a Yahoo! ID, but is also a very convenient way to join.

3.

For those that absolutely DO NOT want to create a Yahoo! ID, there is one more way to join. This method involves the group administrator adding the person to the group manually. In this case

the requestor will receive an e-mail welcoming them to the group, and provides e-mail addresses to

post messages and to unsubscribe. If

you choose this method, you can only post messages via the e-mail address and receive copies of messages sent to the group.

You will not be able to change their settings (such as requesting a daily digest

of messages), nor will you be able to access the webpage for the group. This method of joining can only be used to send and receive messages, nothing else. If this method is your choice, e-mail [ebony2071@yahoo.com](mailto:ebony2071@yahoo.com) for more details.

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**Council of Texas Archeologists**  
**2015 Membership and Renewal Form**

Return to:  
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c/o Kristi Nichols  
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12821 W. Golden Lane  
San Antonio, TX 78249

- Address correction only (see below)
- I wish to **join** CTA.
- I wish to **renew** my membership in CTA
  
- Company/Contractor to be listed \$125.00  
*(Company listing **also requires** one of the following professional categories:)*
- Professional (annual income more than \$20,000 per year) \$30.00
- Professional (annual income less than \$20,000 per year) \$15.00
  
- Student (annual income more than \$20,000 per year) \$25.00
- Student (annual income less than \$20,000 per year) \$15.00
  
- Contractor listing late fee (assessed after Spring Meeting)** \$16.00
- Donation to \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total amount remitted to CTA** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Automatically add my email to the CTA\_org Yahoo Groups Listserv.

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