



# E-Voice

## Greetings from the SAS



The days are getting shorter unfortunately and there's a coolness in the air. However, as I write this we are forecasted to hit 29°C in Saskatoon today so I really shouldn't be speculating about fall weather...

Regardless, there's still lots to do and lots of upcoming events this month! We hope that you will join us at the Archaeology Centre for Culture Days this year. Typically we partner with another organization but this year we're hosting our own event at the office to showcase the neat things we have here! So join us on Friday, September 26th to celebrate Culture Days! Read on for more information!

If you have any news, views or upcoming events that you'd like to share, be sure to email us with the information. The deadline for submissions is the 25th of the month prior to publication. We always look forward to hearing from our membership especially on issues that concern you.

*Please note that our membership rates will be going up \$5 as of January 1st, 2015.*

**Office Closures:** September 1st, 2014 - all day  
 September 4th, 2014 - all day  
 September 26th, 2014 - All day programming for Culture Days

## Upcoming Events

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**SEPTEMBER 1** Labour Day  
Office Closure
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**SEPTEMBER 4** Archaeology Centre  
Office Closure
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**SEPTEMBER 6** Fall Board Meeting  
Archaeology Centre,  
Saskatoon
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**SEPTEMBER 10** Bus Tour & Plant  
Identification Workshop  
Registration Deadline
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**SEPTEMBER 17** Regina Archaeological  
Society Monthly Meeting  
RSM Annex (2340 Albert  
Street)  
7:30pm
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**SEPTEMBER** The Hunter-Gatherer  
Games: Quest for Food

**Office Hours:** Monday to Thursday 9:00am - 4:00pm  
Friday: by appointment only

## Culture Days! *The Hunter-Gatherer Games: Quest for Food & Fire*

On September 26<sup>th</sup>, we are taking part in [Culture Days](#). Join us for *The Hunter-Gatherer Games: Quest for Food & Fire* at the Archaeology Centre from 3:00-7:00pm for burgers, activities and an obstacle course with prizes. Do you have what it takes to live in the past? Challenge your friends or just yourself to our obstacle course. Throw an atlatl, pinch a pot and make a fire. See how archaeologists interpret these activities from artifacts found right here in Saskatchewan. Displays and demonstrations will also be showcased! *Kiwetinohk: Rock Paintings of Northern Saskatchewan* will be on display in the Archaeology Centre for those interested. *This is a free event and open to everyone!*

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and Fire  
Archaeology Centre,  
Saskatoon  
3:00-7:00pm

### About the SAS

The Saskatchewan Archaeological Society (SAS) is an independent, charitable, non-profit organization that was founded in 1963. We are one of the largest, most active and effective volunteer organizations on the continent, promoting public education, advocacy, research and conservation in archaeology.



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# THE HUNTER-GATHERER GAMES: QUEST FOR FOOD AND FIRE

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 26

3 PM - 7 PM

ARCHAEOLOGY CENTRE

#1 - 1730 QUEBEC AVE., SASKATOON, SK

*Do you have what it takes to live in the past?*



Challenge your friends, or just yourself to our obstacle course.



See how archaeologists interpret these activities from artifacts found right here in Saskatchewan.

Throw an atlatl, pinch a pot and try to make a fire.



Burgers and drinks are available for purchase!  
View our indoor displays!

## culturedays.ca

**CREATE, PARTICIPATE & CELEBRATE**  
**September 26, 27 & 28, 2014**

Event funding provided by SaskCulture's Culture Days grant.

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For information about other Culture Days activities in the province, check out their webpage at:

<http://sk.culturedays.ca/en> or <http://iheartculture.ca/>.

## Chapter Events

Regina Archaeological Society: A change of date and place for the September meeting! The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 17th at 7:30pm at the RSM Annex (2340 Albert Street). Parking is available at the Annex or on the street. Please enter through the front door. If you have questions, please contact Jack Trusty (306-692-4264).

## Chapter News

Northwest Archaeological Society: After a number of attempts this summer were thwarted by rain, we finally made our visit to the paint pots north of Paynton. The area contains hematite (iron oxide or red ochre) around a creek that is dammed by beavers. The tree stems and branches on top of the dam are heavily stained orange and red. Dr. David Meyer suggests that these were likely cached as a food source at the bottom of the slough and then brought up later to form part of the dam. It is not unusual for this mineral to precipitate out of water and collect in layers at the bottom of a spring or standing water.

Local historian, Velma Foster, recalls her family members using the mineral at this site many decades ago and combining it with linseed oil to paint their farm buildings. The area consists of sand hills, native prairie and trees. It is congested with oil well sites. Even with the numerous oil field roads, we had to travel off road onto ATV trails and then walk a bit as our two wheel drive van could not handle travel where the sod had been broken exposing the sand.

Rain also prevented Jeff from participating at the Cabri Lake survey. After an horrific drive over slippery roads, he arrived at Empress, AB only to discover that the roads to Cabri Lake were also impassable and the survey could not continue. All was not lost, as Professor Margaret Kennedy had the volunteers survey some of the Forks area, along with visits to other sites in the area.

## Fall Bus Tour

The 33rd Annual Bus Tour will be heading up the Cowboy Trail in Alberta this coming October. Yeehaw! Check out our brochure for more information: [33rd Annual Fall Bus Tour](#). If you are interested in attending, please register soon! We have extended our early-bird rates until **SEPTEMBER 10th, 2014 at 4:00pm**. We do need a minimum number of 20 participants in order for the tour to go ahead. Single accommodations are available for an extra \$50 per person.

## Upcoming Workshop: Plant Identification with Sandra Walker



**Saskatchewan  
Archaeological  
Society**

## Plant Identification Workshop and Walk

Saturday September 13, 2014

Beaver Creek Camp

(15 km south of Saskatoon on Highway #219)

1:00 - 2:30 pm

Hosted by Sandra Walker, this workshop includes a walk-about the camp area to view some of the local native plants, food samples, a colour plant identification guide and refreshments.

We will be walking outside for part of the afternoon, so bring comfortable shoes and weather-appropriate attire, plus bug spray and sunscreen. Refreshments and additional teaching will take place indoors.

COST:	SAS Members	Non-SAS Members
Students	\$20	\$25
Individuals	\$25	\$30

A minimum of 10 participants is required to hold this workshop.

Please register by Wednesday September 10.



Artwork by Sandra Walker.



Register online at  
[www.saskarchsoc.ca](http://www.saskarchsoc.ca)  
(under Programs)  
or contact (306) 664-4124  
or [saskarchsoc@sasktel.net](mailto:saskarchsoc@sasktel.net)

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### Request for Assistance: *Spade & Screen* Volumes

The SAS is looking to scan copies of the *Spade and Screen* as part of our ongoing effort to create PDFs of our library volumes. If you have any of the following copies and would be willing to lend them to us to scan, please contact us!

Volumes Needed:

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| 1 (No 2-5)            | 2 (No 1-5)  |
| 3 (No. 3)             | 4 (No. 1)   |
| 5 (No. 2-5)           | 6 (No. 1-5) |
| 7 (No. 1, 2, 4 and 5) |             |

If you are also in possession of the Society's large blue, bound copy of *Spade & Screen*, could you please return it to our library?

## Call for Artists

The SAS is looking for a new logo! If you have some artistic talent or an idea or two for a new logo, please submit it! As the SAS is dedicated to education and public knowledge of archaeology and includes members that are students, professionals, avocationalists and the general public, what best sums up our organization in a picture?

We are looking for a generic and wide-ranging concept that incorporates all aspects of Saskatchewan archaeology. Please **no** direct replicas of First Nations or Métis symbols or religious motifs.

A cash prize will be rewarded to the winning picture or design. Deadline for submission is **October 31st, 2014.**

## Den of Antiquity

Hey, did you know that books from our Den of Antiquity are now available for online purchases?! Check it out: [Online Shop: Den of Antiquity](#). If there are books that you are interested in seeing in our library (see our [list](#) of what is in our library), let us know!

## Aviva Community Fund

We will once again be taking part in the Aviva Community Fund this fall. Stay tuned for more information on how you can support the SAS!

## Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Survey

The Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation would like your opinion on its granting process! Please consider filling out the survey at the following link: [SHF Survey](#) Give your opinion and comments on their archaeological and palaeontological grant programs. Is it working for you? How does it compare to the previous grant programs? Help make the grant programs better!

## 2014 Manitoba Archaeological Society Conference and AGM

From the MAS website:

"The 2014 Manitoba Archaeological Society Conference and Annual General Meeting will be held in Brandon. A highlight will be a Sunday tour of The Royal Canadian Artillery Museum and Camp Hughes Military Training Site. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the beginning of the Great War and Camp Hughes was a major training facility for soldiers prior to going overseas. Brandon University held its 2013 field school at the site. This year we will feature the collections of avocational archaeologists on Saturday afternoon.

[Royal Oak Inn & Suites, 3130 Victoria Ave, Brandon, MB, R7B 0N2 Ph.:1-800-852-2709](#)

<http://www.royaloakinn.com/>

[Camp Hughes Military Training Site, Carberry, MB http://www.historicplaces.ca/en/rep-reg/place-lieu.aspx?id=7745](http://www.historicplaces.ca/en/rep-reg/place-lieu.aspx?id=7745)

[The Royal Canadian Artillery Museum, CFB Shilo, MB www.rcamuseum.com](http://www.rcamuseum.com)

### CALL FOR SESSIONS, PAPERS AND POSTERS

We are currently accepting abstract submissions on any topic relevant to archaeology. Abstracts should be 150-200 words. Please submit via e-mail to the MAS at [mbarch@mymts.net](mailto:mbarch@mymts.net) and to Mary Malainey at <mailto:malaineym@brandonu.ca> or via mail at Box 1171, Winnipeg, MB, R3C 2Y4.

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:**

	Early Bird Registration (on or before July 31)	Regular Registration (August 1 to 31)	Late Registration (September 1st on)
Members	\$60.00	\$70.00	\$75.00
Student member	\$45.00	\$55.00	\$60.00
Nonmember	\$80.00	\$90.00	\$95.00
Nonmember Student	\$65.00	\$75.00	\$80.00

You can pay and register for the conference by mailing in the form below or using the PayPal on their [website](#).

## 2014 Fort Whoop-Up "Knap-In"

The Archaeological Society of Alberta, Lethbridge Centre, For Whoop-Up National Historic Site and Barry Rogers (Knapper) invite you to the First Canadian Knap-In from September 12th to 15th at Fort Whoop-Up National Historic Site, Lethbridge, Alberta!

Master knappers from Canada and the US will be available to instruct those who want to try or improve their knapping skills. If you are a knapper or wannabe knapper and wist to attend, register as soon as possible by contacting [Barry Rogers](#) (403-678-5041).

There is no entry fee for knappers and their families. Potluck suppers will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The main entree will be provided and side dishes are to be provided by knap-in participants. Please bring adequate amounts for your family. Tea, coffee and water will be available all day. You must register for a camping site (trailer or tent, no services) at Indian Battle Park (outside of Fort Whoop-Up). There is room for 20 to 30 trailers plus a few tents. Public toilets are available a short walk away or in the Fort during the day. There are other campgrounds and hotels nearby.

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