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Minutes of the Last Meeting

There are no minutes to report from the last meeting. We held our Studer Banquet and Studer Banquet Auction virtually this year due to rising cases of the COVID-19 virus in the Amarillo, Texas area. Here's hoping for a better year for us all!



([Winter Christmas Scene stock photo. Image of christmas - 101787784 \(dreamstime.com\)](#))

The United States Regiment of Dragoons 1833-1861

By
Steve Kaighen

Abstract

Fort Leavenworth was built in 1827 by Colonel Henry Leavenworth and a few years later under the command of Colonel Henry Dodge in 1834, companies A, C, D and G of the U.S. Dragoons had just arrived at Fort Leavenworth. These soldiers were a special unit, trained to fight on horseback as well as on foot, they protected travelers along the Santa Fe trail, and were charged with keeping the peace between the Indians and the Traders in the area. As the years went by Fort Leavenworth eventually became a supply center for other forts that were being established further west. Here we will examine some of the artifacts left behind by these soldiers, found in small camps scattered along the countryside as the U.S. Dragoons were leaving Fort Leavenworth during their many expeditions.



Biography

I'm a Field Operations Supervisor for Kansas Gas Service and this April I will have worked for the company for 36 years. I'm an avocational archaeologist and with the use of a metal detector I specialize in locating early military camps and cabin sites in northeastern Kansas. All artifacts are found on private property with landowner's permission. This collection is very important to me because each and every artifact tells a story. I've made over 100 videos recovering artifacts and these can be viewed at my YouTube channel: [youtube.com/user/592bubba](https://www.youtube.com/user/592bubba). There are two videos in particular that summarize all of my finds through the years that are my favorites. They are titled "Memories" and "Memories2". I hope you enjoy them!

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 20 Regular PAS meeting, 7:00 pm, held via Zoom

February 17 Regular PAS meeting, 7:00 pm, held via Zoom

February 20-21 Texas Archeological Society Virtual Ceramics Academy, via Zoom

March 13-14 Texas Archeological Society Virtual Archeology 101 Academy, via Zoom

March 17 Regular PAS meeting, 7:00 pm, held via Zoom.

March 20-21 Texas Archeological Society Archeology 101 Field Excavations, held at San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site

April 21 Regular PAS meeting, 7:00 pm, held via Zoom

April 24-25 Texas Archeological Society Virtual Archeobotany Academy, via Zoom



[\(Snowflake Snow Crystal - Free photo on Pixabay \)](#)



Payment of Dues and Social Media Resources

For payment of membership dues and any donations, please mail your payment as a check made out to the Panhandle Archaeological Society at P.O. Box 814, Amarillo, Texas, 79105.

The membership dues are as follows:

Individual Membership: \$15 per year

Family membership: \$20 per year

Student membership: \$10 per year

Institution: \$20 per year

Also, please remember that the Panhandle Archaeological Society currently has the following social media pages:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PanhandleArchaeologicalSociety>

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/pan_arch_soc/

Twitter: https://twitter.com/pan_arch_soc

Please help our society grow by liking, following, and sharing the pages and the posts!



Alvin Lynn Memorial Scholarship:

Below is a copy of the Alvin Lynn memorial scholarship established at West Texas A&M University for us to consider.

Alvin Lynn Memorial Scholarship:

An endowed scholarship fund to honor Alvin Lynn has been opened at Opportunity Plan Inc. in Canyon, Texas.

Checks to: Opportunity Plan, PO Box 1035, Canyon, Texas 79015. Memo line to Alvin Lynn Scholarship.

Thank you.

2021 Texas Archeological Society Academies

Ceramics Academy will be held **virtually** February 20-21, 2021. Ms. Marybeth Tomka, Dr. Chris Lintz, and Ms. Becky Shelton will be the instructors.

Archeology 101 Academy class will be held **virtually** March 13-14, 2021, with half day of excavations held in the **field** at San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site either March 20 or 21, 2021 (your choice!). Dr. Jon Lohse will be the instructor and Dr. Sarah Chesney will be Principal Investigator for excavation.

Archeobotany Academy will be held **virtually** April 24-25, 2021. Dr. Leslie Bush will be the lead instructor, with special guest lecturers: Phil Cross, Alaina Tahlate, Dr. Kevin Hanselka, and Dr. Elizabeth Temple Horton.

MEMBERSHIP IN TAS is required for attendance at TAS Academies. Before completing this academy registration form, please complete a TAS membership form and mail to TAS - address below - with appropriate dues (\$40 Student/\$70 Individual/\$90 Family) or complete online form and pay with a credit card. TAS membership information is available on the web at <https://www.txarch.org/join-or-renew>.

Fees: The registration fee for each Academy attended is \$100. Registration includes two days of instruction, a digital manual, kits for Ceramics and Archeobotany, and lunch and snacks on the Archeology 101 field day. A certificate of participation will be awarded to attendees. Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credit is available for teachers as approved by the Texas State Board of Education.

More Academy Info: Please check <https://www.txarch.org/tas-academies> on the Texas Archeological Society website for specific details and updates for each of the Academies. You can register by mailing this form (address below) which can be printed from the registration PDF found on the TAS website (checks only please); or you can register online with a credit card. For scholarship opportunities check <https://www.txarch.org/scholarships>.

2021 TAS ARCHEOLOGY ACADEMIES REGISTRATION FORM

Name(s) and topic(s) of those attending: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>
Ceramics Academy	Virtual	February 20-21, 2021	February 6, 2021
Archeology 101 Academy	Virtual & San Felipe, TX	March 13-14; 20-21, 2021	February 27, 2021
Archeobotany Academy	Virtual	April 24-25, 2021	April 10, 2021

Number of Academies attended @ \$100 each _____ Total fees due _____

Cancellations after the deadline are non-refundable. Cancellation vacancies will be filled from a waiting list.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **Texas Archeological Society**

MAIL FORM AND PAYMENT TO: **Texas Archeological Society**
Dept. of Anthropology at Texas State University
601 University Drive
San Marcos, TX 78666-4616

TEXAS ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY'S

Ceramics Academy: The Stories Found in Pottery



Virtual Academy

February 20-21, 2021

Via Zoom

Instructors:

Marybeth Tomka

Dr. Chris Lintz

Rebecca Shelton

Register by February 6, 2021 at:

<https://www.txarch.org/tas-academies>

Cost: \$100 + TAS membership. CPE credits available.

Scholarship opportunities at:

<https://www.txarch.org/scholarship>

Learn the fundamentals of ceramics dating, chronology, technology, vocabulary, classification, analysis and much more.

Receive a class manual and a KIT for hands-on exercises.

TEXAS ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY'S Archeology 101 Academy



Virtual Academy

March 13-14, 2021

Via Zoom



Field Excavations

March 20-21, 2021

San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site

Instructor: Dr. Jon Lohse

Principal Investigator: Dr. Sarah Chesney

Register by February 27, 2021 at:

<https://www.txarch.org/tas-academies>

Cost: \$100 + TAS membership. CPE credits available.

Scholarship opportunities at:

<https://www.txarch.org/scholarship>

Learn the tools to identify, record and assess an archeological site (investigation, survey, test excavation, sample, preservation, catalogue, report and much more).

Participate in a field excavation on the Historic Site of San Felipe de Austin.

No experience necessary.

Archeobotany Academy



Virtual Academy

April 24-25, 2021

Via Zoom



Instructor:

Dr. Leslie Bush

Register by April 10, 2021 at:

<https://www.txarch.org/tas-academies>

Cost: \$100 + TAS membership. CPE credits available.

Scholarship opportunities at:

<https://www.txarch.org/scholarship>

Introduction to Archeobotany with emphasis on Caddo ancestors and plant species of east Texas. Recovery techniques, plant identification, analytical processes, ancient technologies, traditional stories, Caddo language, and more. With lectures, a kit with plant-based snacks, class handbook, and more.