

# Llano Uplift Archeological Society

Newsletter

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## Message from the President—Al Priest

How time flies when you are having fun. Here we are in August already!

LUAS is blessed to have volunteers like Andy Malof, Doris Howard and Tina Prikrly. Andy writes our newsletter and updates the website. Doris schedules our guest speakers and is our secretary. Tina manages our finances and takes care of many details. Even with busy schedules they contribute their time. I wish to thank them and all the LUAS volunteers for all they do!

This week's issue of the Picayune just arrived this morning. On page 4 there is a article about our special guest speaker for August 11, Scott Zesch from Mason. Scott has a new book about his great-great-great uncle Adolph Korn who was captured by the Apaches. This talk will be truly fascinating and one you will not want to miss.

The Nightengale Center sign has disappeared out on 1431 since the entrance upgrade. I went looking for it but it is no where to be found. Don't miss the turnoff!



## LUAS Meeting—August 11, 7 P.M.

### Speaker—Mr. Scott Zesch

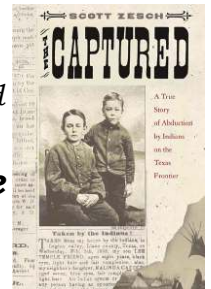
**Scott Zesch**, an award winning Mason writer has completed his new book inspired by Adolph Korn, taken by Comanches in Castell.

Mr. Zesch is the author of "The Captured: A True Story of Abduction by Indians on the Texas Frontier" (St. Martin's Press, 2004), which won the biennial TCU Texas Book Award for the best book on Texas published in 2003 or 2004. The Captured is a selection of six book clubs, including Book of the Month Club, History Book Club and Literary Guild, and was released as a Blackstone Audiobook. Scott's article on his "white Indian" ancestor, Adolph Korn, was published in Southwestern Historical Quarterly in 2001 and won the Western History Association's Ray Allen Billington Award. With anthropologist Daniel J. Gelo, he annotated Bianca Babb's captivity narrative, which was published in Southwestern Historical Quarterly in 2003. His article on another Mason County captive, Alice Todd, appeared earlier this year in Journal of the West. Scott has lectured on Indian captivity at Yale, SMU, the Texas Book Festival, and the New York Public Library. He is also the author of Alamo Heights (TCU Press, 1999), a historical novel inspired by Adina De Zavala's efforts to save the Alamo mission from demolition in the early 1900s. A graduate of Texas A&M and Harvard, Scott divides his time between Mason County and New York City.

(the above is from [www.castelltexas.com/scottzesch.html](http://www.castelltexas.com/scottzesch.html))

*Scott will be discussing the back story regarding his interest in the subject and the process of creating his book.*

**LUAS meetings are free and open to the public. For more information or directions see [www.texasluas.org](http://www.texasluas.org).**



## LUAS Field Trip

Various options will be discussed at the meeting. The trip to the rock art site in Llano County has been postponed for a month or so.

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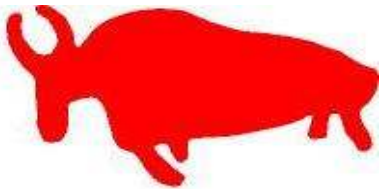
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## Special Notices

### Calendar

#### Second and fourth Saturdays 2-5pm

Public tours at the Nightengale Center

Volunteers always welcomed!!!

Check with Pat.

**Note:** to contribute to the newsletter or website please contact Andy Malof—  
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\*hardcopy newsletters are in black and white

### Steward's News

Your local archeological steward is Doris Howard. If you have any questions about the archaeology of the area, she can be your first contact. Doris can be reached at (325) 247-2440

Minutes of **July 14, 2010** meeting at Nightengale Archeological Center, Kingsland, Texas—Doris Howard, Secretary

The meeting was opened at 7 pm by Pres. Al Priest. Our speaker, Bob Wishoff was introduced and presented his talk: "Analysis of Quarrying Behavior at Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument, Fritch, Texas."

There was discussion on the following items:

- Incorporation of LUAS
- Received two-way radios for field trips
- Possible field trip to Mr. Wukasch's property on Hamilton Creek, Burnet, Tx. for September field trip
- Dennis Maier requested that members receive a membership list.
- The Nightengale Archeology Center sign on Hwy 1431 has been removed; do we need to replace the sign?

The president read the treasurer's report: \$2924.89 ending balance with \$1534.34 in the Fred B. Memorial Fund.

Rock art field trip near Mason, Tx. is scheduled for July 24 (if no rain); everyone meet at Mason square on north side.

Members present: Patti and David Boyd, Jo Ann Hanifan, Chuck Hixson, Patrick Hatton, Doris Howard, Dennis Maier, Jan Huffstetler, John Boland, Corey Mullins; and Jim Wukasch; new members Jim Taylor and Bob Wishoff.

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm by President.

### Rock Art Foundation Rendezvous – Preliminary Notice

<http://www.fellowpages.org/rockart/tours.cfm>

The 2010 Rendezvous will be held at the White Shaman Preserve Oct 15 – 17. We will focus on tours as last year offering as many tours as possible over the weekend. The Rendezvous cost will be \$60 per person (children 12 and under are free). RAF tours offered for this years gathering will be included and there will not be an extra charge. RAF tours that are planned are: White Shaman, Lewis Canyon, Halo Shelter, Meyers Springs, Bonfire Shelter, Eagle Cave, and Curly Tail Panther (this list has not been finalized).

The Llano Uplift Archeological Society was organized by people interested in the protection, conservation and study of historic and prehistoric materials and sites in the Llano Uplift ("Central Mineral Region") area of the Texas Hill Country. Its primary goals include education of the membership, students and the public; and to support other groups, researchers and educators with similar interests. Stewardship of the Nightengale Archaeological Center is a major contribution of LUAS.