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Upcoming Trailblazer:

Archaeology of the Plains

Guest Scientist:

Dr. Neil Hauser

Thurs., Sept. 15 @ 5:30pm

Sat., Sept. 17 - Field Trip

***Plains Conservation Center
is a non-profit organization.***

Our mission is to PRESERVE

Colorado high plains,

EDUCATE visitors about its

natural & cultural history

and NATURE sound

stewardship ethics.



Trailblazer Event: *Reading the Landscape & Uncovering Stories of Past Cultures* with Gordon Tucker Jr, Ph.D.

Trailblazer is an interactive, research-based lecture series where you can discuss PCC-related projects directly with the scientists in an informal, social atmosphere. Each guest speaker presents an evening program at Yanni's at the Landmark followed by a field trip experience at one of the PCC properties.

Thurs., July 21; 5:30pm – 7pm: Yanni's at the Landmark
Sat., July 23; 10:30am - 2pm: PCC's Aurora site for a walking
& driving tour.

Snacks provided during the field trip. (Bring a sack lunch if desired.) Trailblazer members are invited to a continental breakfast with our guest speaker at 10am.

**Guest Scientist: Gordon Tucker Jr., Ph.D.,
Cultural Resources Leader with URS Corporation**

People have lived on the land now called Plains Conservation Center for more than 10,000 years. Evidence of these activities is highly variable, from ephemeral scatters of prehistoric artifacts, through historic homesteads, to remnants of a World War II bombing range. Collectively, these finds document how ancient and recent people have used, and wrested a living from, a land whose productivity has varied through the millennia.

During the discussion on July 21, we will examine the environmental and cultural contexts, describe the visible (and not-so-visible) evidence of these occupations, and examine the similarities and differences. When we explore the PCC on July 23, we will visit some of the prehistoric and historic sites that provide the clues about human occupation in this area.

Yanni's Greek Restaurant is located at 5425 Landmark Place; Greenwood Village, CO 80111. More details on Yanni's can be found online at www.yannidenver.com.

*Registration required. Lectures: Free for Trailblazer members, \$10 / non-members;
Field Excursions: Free for Trailblazer members, \$15 / non-members.

Trailblazer memberships are \$75 annually.