

# The Archaeo-Nevada Society

The Oldest Archaeological Organization in Nevada – Established 1966

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## Membership Application Form Sept 2017 – Aug 2018

The purpose of the Archaeo-Nevada Society is to preserve Nevada's antiquities, encourage the study of archaeology and to educate the public to the aims of archaeological research.

1. Uphold the purpose and intent of the ANS.
2. Adhere to all antiquities laws.
3. Seek the advice, consent and assistance of professionals in archaeology and/or history in dealing with artifacts, sites, and other material relating to antiquities.
4. Assist professionals and educators in accomplishing the objectives of the ANS.
5. Be a personal envoy of the ANS and conduct themselves in a manner as to protect the integrity of the artifacts, sites or other materials.

I AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE CODE OF ETHICS OF THE ANS.

(The 1991 General Membership Meeting voted to make signing the Code of Ethics mandatory for membership in the ANS. Each member of a household membership must sign individually).

Date | Signatures: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Dues for the year 1 September through 31 August.

Enclosed is my check /cash for \$\_\_\_\_\_ Individual (\$15) / Household (\$25)

Sponsor (\$100) / Corporate (\$1,000) / Life-time (\$500)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Household Members \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**I/We would prefer to receive newsletters by  email or  regular mail  
(please check one).**

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Included in the ANS Code of Ethics is an agreement to abide by the Archaeological Resource Protection Act of 1979 and other relevant legislation.

**Please read the following and initial below.**

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The Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (ARPA)  
P.L. 96-95, 93 Stat. 721-72B:2, 16 USC 470aa-47011

ARPA establishes a permitting requirement for the excavation or removal (e.g., collection) of archaeological sites and artifacts from public and Indian lands, including National Forests, Bureau of Land Management lands and Military reservations.

ARPA prohibits the excavation, removal, alteration, and the defacement of any archaeological resources located on public or Indian land without a permit from the land managing agency. It prohibits trafficking in archaeological resources obtained in violation of Federal law, including their sale, purchase or transport and offers to sell purchase, or transport illegally obtained artifacts. It also prohibits trafficking (in interstate or foreign commerce) in archaeological resources obtained illegally under any State or local law.

Under ARPA the removal of artifacts from public lands without a permit is prohibited. Specifically, CFR Title 36 - Parks, Forests, and Public Property, Part 296, Section 261.9 (h) prohibits "8220; removing any paleontological, prehistoric, historic, or archaeological resource, structure, site artifact or property"8221; from the National Forest or any other public lands. The intent of the law is clear-damaging cultural resources and collection of artifacts, including arrowheads, from public lands without a permit is prohibited and subject to criminal and, in some cases, civil penalties.

Felony violations of any of these prohibitions are punishable by fines up to \$250,000 and imprisonment up to two years for the first conviction, and up to \$250,000 and 5 years on second and subsequent convictions. It also allows for the confiscation (forfeiture) of equipment used in connection with the violation and the assessment of civil penalties equal to the scientific or commercial value of the resource and the cost of restoration and repair (up to double those costs for the second and subsequent convictions).

#### NEVADA STATE REGULATIONS

NRS 381.197 Permit required to investigate, explore, or excavate historic or prehistoric site: No person shall investigate, explore, or excavate an historic or prehistoric site on federal or state lands or remove any object therefrom unless he is the holder of a valid and current permit issued pursuant to the provisions of NRS 381.195 to 381.227, inclusive. (Added to NRS by 1959, 290)

By initialing this form, I (we) acknowledge that I (we) have read, and understand the above, and agree to abide by the intent of ARPA and other relevant Federal and State regulations while participating in any A-NS field trip or activity. (Each member of a Household Membership must initial individually.)

**Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_

An excellent source for full text versions of ARPA and other federal regulations can be found at the National Park Service web-site: <http://www.cr.nps.gov/linklaws.htm>