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Re: mammoth jaw found on Peace River during CSI Fossil Float

Saturday, November 17th, 2001 - Fall Fossil Float

While canoeing down the Peace River with the Group, during the Fall Fossil Float, Michael (one of the guides) noticed bones on the shore. He and Mark DeRosa pulled over and after a closer look, discovered what they found to be a Mammoth Jaw.

While the rest of the group went ahead to the next stop, they dug up some more of the bone and then got back in their canoes and went to Canoe Safari, where they reunited with the group. The group was then bussed back to the camp but Peter, Thomas, Ben, Dan, Michael and Mark stayed behind to canoe back to the site. They dug up the rest of the jaw and took it out of the ground. They then brought it back to snowbird hall. By the time they got there it was the end of the "Show and Tell" presentation.

Because this jaw was found by the CSI GUIDES, on a CSI-sponsored float, and because "Creation Expeditions" was *hired by CSI to represent CSI while on this float, we would assume that the bones would, of course, belong to CSI. (During registration, all float participants must sign a paper stating that CSI gets first say as to what happens with their finds, which is typical of any type of dig or fossil hunting expedition. We don't have record of the DeRosa's signatures, but Creation Expeditions was on the float as CSI guides, so anything they find would be property of CSI.) However, a few days later, Dan told Carol the bones belong to the DeRosa's because they went back on "their own time".

**The office has paperwork stating that Creation Expeditions was paid for services, for the dates of November 1, 2001 - November 18, 2001, the amount of payment for services was \$650. Please note: During those same dates, aside from receiving payment for this labor, he also used the CSI credit card for incidentals such as groceries, gas & restaurants totaling approximately \$1,000.00 (minus groceries for the Group Bar-B-Que dinner and campground charges).*

On November 18th, the next day, Pete DeRosa took Linda, Leah, Mark, Peter, Danny and Michael to the Macaroni Grill for dinner and paid with "a" Credit Card. While talking to Carol, Danny told her that Mr. DeRosa took them to dinner because he thought they deserved it for the hard work they did "digging out the jaw". Carol then said, "If Pete thinks the jaw belongs to him, then he shouldn't be using the CSI credit card to pay for the dinner". At which time Danny said, "Oh no, he used his OWN credit card." But, when the credit card bill came to the office there was a charge to the Macaroni Grill for \$103.19 for November 18th. When Tom asked Pete about this Pete said it was not to pay for their hard work on the mammoth jaw but for their hard work "straightening out the trailer".