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President's Message

As 2022 is drawing to a close, I'm reflecting on some observations about CAS this year. Most recently, Terry and I thorough enjoyed the CAS Annual Meeting in Loveland in late October. The Northern Colorado Chapter planned such a hospitable and well-organized event! For those of who attended in person, it was an opportunity to visit with friends from various parts of Colorado whom we had not seen in person these past couple of years -- and it was an opportunity to meet some CAS members we had not previously known. The Annual Meeting program was hybrid. That allowed some speakers to present their papers remotely and it allowed a number of CAS stalwarts to enjoy the program even though they were not physically present in Loveland. Kudos to Susanne Denlinger for recruiting a wonderful array of speakers on a variety of meaningful topics! And kudos to Lori and the Northern Colorado Chapter for asking Dr. Jason LaBelle to be the banquet speaker; his message was thought-provoking!

Earlier in the year, the Grand Junction Chapter hosted the July Quarterly Board Meeting; it also was hybrid. I think hybrid meetings are beneficial for an organization such as CAS which has members living in all parts of the state (and some who have moved from Colorado but remain involved in CAS). But I also think in-person activities and meetings and programs are essential for generating energy and enthusiasm and visibility for CAS. Those of us who were present in person for the July meeting spent some time before the Board Meeting brainstorming ways in which more in-person activities might be possible as we continue to transition out of pandemic circumstances. The "good old days" that some of us enjoyed ten or twenty years ago will not return, but what in-person activities are relevant and feasible today?

Technology allows many of us to participate remotely in ways that would be difficult if all events were only in-person. For example, I think one benefit of technology has been the ability to have productive virtual committee meetings throughout the year as questions or opportunities arise. This seems better for CAS than the previous pattern of scheduling multiple committee meetings on the day of the quarterly in-person board meetings. The technology for these virtual meetings was not in widespread use five or ten years ago, but it's commonplace these days.

Another benefit of technology may be the opportunity to occasionally "visit" another chapter's meeting when the program topic is of interest to a member of a different chapter. That usually requires the "visitor" to contact someone at the other chapter, in advance, to request a link for that meeting, but that is easier than driving to the distant chapter.

I look forward to 2023 with plans for hybrid Board Meetings in Pueblo in April and in Cortez in July and a hybrid Annual Meeting in Colorado Springs in October. The January Board Meeting will be virtual. I understand several of our chapters are scheduling 2023 speakers and events that will be attractive to their members and to persons who may not yet have discovered CAS. If you meet someone who might be interested in CAS, invite them to attend a meeting or two with you. If you're a CAS member who would like to become more involved in one way or another, feel free to contact me and I'll try to help you find the lab work or survey or committee project that you're seeking.

Sharon Murphy

Highlights from the Board of Directors and Membership Meetings

CAS Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting (Q3), October 22, 2022 Embassy Suites, Loveland

The Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) Board of Directors held its autumn 2022 Quarterly Meeting on Saturday, October 22, 2022. It was a hybrid virtual/live meeting hosted by the Northern Colorado Chapter (NCC) during the CAS 87th Annual Meeting at the Embassy Suites in Loveland, Colorado. Thank you Northern Colorado and the Embassy Suites.

President Sharon Murphy called the meeting to order at 12:15 PM, and the Chapter roll was called by Recording Secretary Larry Beidle. A quorum was met with all nine Chapters present and a quorum of Board members attending.

Office and Committee News

The Minutes for the July 16, 2022 Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting were approved as submitted to the Board. The Executive Secretary reported that state CAS continues to work with History Colorado's Office of Archaeology and Historical Preservation (OAHP) and the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists (CCPA) on matters of mutual interest. She also reported that the Swallow Site Report should be published in 2023. The Treasurer reported that state CAS continues to be in good financial condition. At the end of the third quarter of 2022, CAS has \$12,499 in its checking and savings accounts and \$23,884 in Certificates of Deposit. One CD will roll over for another year on November 2, 2022. The Treasurer noted that there have been several "phishing" attempts received by CAS officers and warned the Board not to respond to these emails.

*Committee reports are listed below in **Highlighted Reports**.*

New Business

The tentative schedule for 2023 Quarterly state CAS Board of Directors meetings was announced.

Winter (January): Online in last half of January; date to be announced.

Spring (April): Hybrid meeting; date, host and venue to be announced.

Summer (July): Hybrid meeting in Cortez with Hisatsinom as host; date to be announced.

Annual: Hybrid meeting to be held at State CAS Annual Meeting; to be held in Colorado Springs; Pikes Peak Chapter to host. Date to be announced.

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 PM.

CAS Members Annual Meeting, October 22, 2022 Embassy Suites, Loveland

The Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) held its Annual Members Meeting on Saturday, October 22, 2022, during the 87th CAS Annual Conference at the Embassy Suites in Loveland, Colorado. It was a hybrid virtual/live meeting hosted by the Northern Colorado Chapter (NCC), with the virtual component conducted on Microsoft Teams. President Sharon Murphy called the meeting to order at 4:25 PM. Forty-nine (49) members were in attendance; therefore a quorum (minimum 48) was present.

Officer and Committee News

The Minutes for the 2021 Annual Members Meeting as submitted were approved unanimously by the membership.

New Business

Election of 2023 CAS Officers

The Nominating Committee submitted the following slate of officers for 2023:

Sharon Murphy, President
Susanne Denlinger, Vice President
Larry Beidle, Recording Secretary
Michele Giometti, Treasurer

There being no nominations from the floor, the above slate of officers was unanimously elected by the members.

2023 Quarterly Board of Directors Meetings and 2023 and 2024 Annual Meetings Schedules

The tentative schedule and locations for the 2023 Quarterly state CAS Board of Directors meetings and for the 2023 and 2024 Annual Meetings were announced.

Winter (January): Online in last half of January; date to be announced.

Spring (April): Hybrid meeting; date, host and venue to be announced.

Summer (July): Hybrid meeting in Cortez with Hisatsinom as host; date to be announced.

Annual: Hybrid meeting to be held at State CAS 2023 Annual Meeting; to be held in Colorado Springs; Pikes Peak Chapter to host. Date to be announced.

2024 Annual Meeting: To be held in Grand Junction; no date announced.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM.

Highlighted Reports

From the Board of Directors Meeting:

Membership: Membership numbers have remained steady so far in 2022 with 944 members as of September 30, 2022.

Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund: Five scholarships totaling \$4,100 were awarded to two doctoral candidates from CU-Boulder and three master's candidates from CSU and CU-Denver. The Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund has awarded 280 scholarships totaling over \$110,000 since its inception in 1987.

Education and Outreach: The Committee's new co-Chair, Mandy Posgai, said the Committee has reached out to the Chapters to collect data on their Education/Outreach efforts. The information will be used by the Committee to develop goals and action plans for the coming year.

Science Advisory Committee: Written second and third quarter 2022 Committee reports are pending. Hisatsinom reported 76 volunteers contributed 1,287 hours to various projects during the 3Q of 2022. A more comprehensive 2022 year-end report will be submitted at the January 2023 Quarterly Board meeting.

Publications: There have been no problems with the state website. Facebook/Meta has changed the rules requiring approval of requests to join the site, and the removal of inappropriate posts is an ongoing maintenance problem. The subscription rate for *Southwestern Lore* for non-members will increase from \$40 to \$60 per year beginning in 2023. Issues have been sent on-time to subscribers. The summer issue of the *Surveyor* was posted on June 25, and the fall issue is scheduled to be published on December 1.

Long Range Planning: No report.

Awards: Curtis Martin is the recipient of the 2022 C.T. Hurst Award. The 2022 Ivola Hagar Award will be presented to Terri Hoff to honor both her and her late husband Tom at the

Annual Meeting. Doug Baxter - Pueblo, Cheryl Damon and Katy Waechter - Indian Peaks, and Bob and Judy Kilgore – Pikes Peak, are recipients of the 2022 Chapter Achievement Awards.

History Colorado Special Projects: CAS had a booth at the 2022 International Archaeology Day (IAD) Expo at Roxborough Intermediate School on October 15, 2022 for the first time in several years. It emphasized “Archaeology for the People,” with several members of the Denver CAS and Indian Peaks Chapters providing information to the public on opportunities to actually do archaeology through CAS.

State Archaeologist/History Colorado/OAHP: The State Archaeologist reported updates on personnel changes at History Colorado (HC); upgrades to the Compass database; changes to the fees charged for data access at HC and OAHP; volunteer opportunities at the Emery Archaeology Lab; an update on the Indian Schools Initiative; and other topics.

PAAC: Although no PAAC classes were taught in 2022, the PAAC Board is taking steps to reinvigorate and support the program in 2023. Local (Chapter) PAAC coordinators will be contacted to identify and pursue the next steps to restart the PAAC program next year

The State PAAC Coordinator completed the PAAC National Trust Grant on August 31, 2022. The grant funded the purchase of lab and field equipment and provided a stipend for the recently created Office of the State Archaeologist Education, Outreach and Cultural Resource Management Internship.

OAHP and Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) entered into an agreement in February 2022 regarding cultural resources in state parks including opportunities for public archaeology education and outreach. Such an opportunity happened on August 3-4, 2022, when Assistant State Archaeologist Becca Simon and CPW Term Archaeologist Dr. Rachel Egan supervised a crew of eight volunteers and one intern in archaeological work at Fishers Peak State Park, Colorado’s newest state park.

CAS Representative to AHPC: The Committee met on October 19 2022, and has a new name, the Preservation Program Committee (PPC), and a new charter. It no longer is directly involved in the State Historical Fund (SHF) Grant application and review process, which now is governed and administered by the new and separate Grants Council. The PPC will provide strategic goals and determine policy for the SHF. The next PPC meeting will be in January 2023.

Ways and Means: The Committee had nothing to report for the 3rd Quarter of 2022.

Governance: The Committee submitted to the Board proposed revisions to the Bylaws regarding the appointment and Board ratification of Board Committee Chairs on September 21, 2022. The Committee made a Motion to amend the Bylaws as proposed, and the Board passed the Motion unanimously.

Nominating Committee: The Committee moved that the following slate of officers for 2023 be submitted to the membership at the 2022 Annual Members Meeting:

Sharon Murphy, President
Susanne Denlinger, Vice President
Larry Beidle, Recording Secretary
Michele Giometti, Treasurer

The Motion was passed unanimously by the Board.

Additional updates from the CAS Membership Annual Meeting:

Membership: Membership numbers have shown a slow growth in 2020-2022 and have remained steady so far in 2022 with 944 members as of September 30, 2022. Hopefully, as Chapters return to live meetings and engage in group activities, we will see an increase in member numbers. The Committee asks that any questions, comments or concerns regarding Member365 be sent to Karen Kinnear.

Governance: The Board approved revisions to the Bylaws clarifying the appointment and approval of Board Committee Chairs and members on September 21, 2022.

Recent Awards

Congrats to award recipients recognized at the 2022 Annual Meeting in October! Those recognized include:

Terri and Tom Hoff receiving the [Ivol K. Hagar Award](#)



Curtis Martin receiving the [C.T. Hurst Award](#)



Doug Baxter (Pueblo Archaeological and Historical Society), Judy and Bob Kilgore (Colorado Springs), Cheryl Damon and Katy Waechter (Indian Peaks) received [Chapter Achievement Awards](#).

Message from the Education and Outreach Committee

The committee is active again and working towards the implementation of an **activities calendar on the state website** that will encourage information and activity collaboration between chapters by allowing chapters and members to see what educational and outreach activities are going on across the state.

We hope this calendar will help interconnect the chapters, provide opportunities for chapters to learn from activities and events in other chapters, and serve as inspiration for upcoming opportunities.

We also hope this tool will help support membership initiatives by providing a broader view of what CAS is and what its members are doing as well as provide opportunities for cross-chapter activities participation for traveling members.

We are seeking representatives from each chapter to join the Educational and Outreach Committee to help with the state calendar project, the defining of our 2023 strategic goals, and the general support and improvement of opportunities related to education and outreach throughout CAS.

What We're Reading

This new section in The Surveyor is a collection of Colorado archaeology and adjacent interest news.

From 5 to 10: [History Colorado researchers recently provided an update on their investigation into day and boarding schools where Indigenous youth were assimilated around the turn of the 20th century](#) to the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs. They believe there were ~10 schools throughout the state from 1880-1920 instead of the 5 boarding schools identified in the [Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative Report released in May 2022](#). [Read a primer on Indian boarding schools in Colorado](#).

The Tea: In November, [Dr. Todd Surovell \(University of Wyoming\) gave a talk as part of Crow Canyon Archaeological Center's Discovery series and Pueblo Archaeological and Historical Society's lecture series](#) on a statistical model for pre-Clovis colonization of the Americas.

Sand Creek Massacre Exhibit 2.0: [History Colorado opened its redone Sand Creek Massacre exhibit last month, 10 years after the initial exhibit after outcry from Arapaho and Cheyenne groups](#). Indian Peaks chapter is hosting a program on February 9th by Sam Bock (History Colorado) about the exhibit and its history.

One Step Closer to Mount Blue Sky: [Last month, the Colorado Naming Advisory Board voted to rename Mount Evans as Mount Blue Sky](#). Their recommendation to rename the mountain is being passed to Governor Polis, who will make the official renaming recommendation to the Federal Board on Geographic Names who has the authority to permanent change place names.

Moment for Reflection: In the Denver chapter's [September 2022 All Points Bulletin](#), Jon Kent, PhD, reflected on CAS and how it still appeals to members after over 85 years. May CAS continue to be accessible and support diverse archaeological interests for another 80+ years.

STOP Act Passes Senate: [In late November, the Senate passed H.R. 2930](#), known as the Safeguard Tribal Objects of Patrimony (STOP) Act of 2021. While President Biden did not sign the bill during the White House Tribal Nations Summit this month, [advocates say that the bill sends a strong message to sellers and collectors](#).

Ancient Apocalypse or Tired Conspiracies: [Dr. Flint Dibble shared a cogent op-ed on the popular Netflix show, *Ancient Apocalypse*](#). Not all publicity is good. [There's been promising response online to academic archaeologists debunking the show](#), but there's a role for community organizations like CAS in boosting public education and outreach.

Upcoming Events

Southwest Symposium	January 5-7, 2023	Santa Fe, NM
CAS Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting	January 28, 2023	Virtual only through MS Teams Join Meeting: bit.ly/cas_bod
Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists Annual Meeting	March 9-11, 2023	Ouray, CO
CAS Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting	April 29, 2023	Hybrid Pueblo, CO
CAS Annual Meeting	October 7, 2023	Colorado Springs, CO

If you'd like to submit an event to be shared in the next edition of **The Surveyor**, email cas@coloradoarchaeology.onmicrosoft.com with event info.

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Recording Secretary ---- [Lawrence Beidle](#)
Executive Secretary ---- [Karen Kinnear](#)

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Alice Hamilton Scholarship ---- [Kris Holien](#), [Terri Hoff](#)
Awards ---- [Matt Landt](#)
Education ---- [Mandy Posgai](#), [Karen Kinnear](#)
Governance ---- [Sharon Murphy](#)
Long Range Planning ---- [Ed Vandertook](#)
Membership ---- **vacant**
PAAC ---- [Karen Kinnear](#)
Publications ---- [Raymond Sumner](#)
Science Advisory ---- [Katy Waechter](#)

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