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## President's Message

In this message, I celebrate some of the various ways many CAS members contribute their time and talents to promote our stewardship of archaeological resources in Colorado through public education, research, advocacy, scholarships for archaeology students, etc.

Members of the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund committee have outlined this spring's schedule for receipt and review of scholarship applications so that scholarships can be awarded to selected archaeology students at the end of April. The Education and Outreach committee is preparing to work with chapters to share information about chapter educational and outreach activities on a statewide calendar that is being added to the CAS website.

Members of the Pikes Peak chapter are working on the details of the (hybrid) Annual Meeting scheduled for September 30, and it promises to be a very enjoyable weekend! Officers of a couple of chapters are exploring arrangements for a joint event between their chapters later this year. The Pueblo chapter will host the next (hybrid) quarterly CAS Board Meeting on April 29, and they are always hospitable and well organized!

CAS officers, committee chairs, and persons appointed for specific responsibilities reported on their activities during the (virtual) quarterly CAS Board Meeting in January, and some of that detail is mentioned in the Highlights section of this newsletter. Some CAS members provide their practical skills to implement various programs and to maintain communication among all CAS participants. Some are helping all of us discern how CAS can more effectively carry out, in these current times and circumstances, our commitment to stewardship of Colorado's archaeological resources.

CAS Board Meetings are open to all CAS members (although only Board members can vote). If you'd like to know more about the work of our committees, feel free to contact that committee chair – or contact me for more general information if you prefer.

*Sharon Murphy*

## Highlights from the January Board of Directors Meeting

**January 28, 2023 via MS Teams**

The Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) Board of Directors held its winter 2023 Quarterly Meeting on Saturday, January 28, 2023. It was a virtual meeting held on MS Teams. All nine Chapters were represented by a quorum of Board members. President

Murphy welcomed two new Board members: Gene Wheaton, Denver CAS BOD representative, and Gary Conover, President of the Pikes Peak Chapter.

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 October 22, 2022 Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting were approved as submitted to the Board by the Recording Secretary. The Executive Secretary reported that the 2023 Periodic Report was filed with the Colorado Secretary of State. She has submitted draft updates of the 2023 Board List and the State and Chapter Contact List to the Chapters for revisions/confirmation. The Treasurer reported that, at the end of the fourth quarter of 2022, CAS had \$17,441 in its checking and savings accounts and \$23,888 in Certificates of Deposit at the end of 2022, with one CD rolling over for another year on January 26, 2023. Net income for 2022 was \$2,700. The Treasurer reminded Chapter Presidents and Treasurers that Chapters need to file their annual IRS Form 990-Ns by the May 15, 2023 deadline.

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

### **New Business**

**2023 Draft Budget:** The Treasurer has submitted the proposed 2023 Draft Budget for state CAS to the Board for review and comment. The [final 2023 Budget \(1/28/23 version\)](#) will be voted on at the April (spring) 2023 Quarterly Board of Directors meeting. The Treasurer noted that funds for the Tessman Fund will be exhausted this year.

**2023 Annual Conference:** The Pikes Peak Chapter President provided an update on the 2023 Annual Conference planning. The Chapter is close to selecting a venue. The Board of Directors meeting will be September 29, the Annual Meeting/Program held September 30, and at least one field trip on October 1. Northern Colorado will provide the Board will a Summary Report on the 2022 Annual Conference/Meeting at the April 2023 BOD meeting.

**Transition of *Southwestern Lore* to Digital Publication and Related Subscription Rate Changes (Ray Sumner, Publications Committee Chair):** The Publications Committee presented a draft Motion entitled "Transition of SWL to Digital with Subscription" [Motion to Set SWL Subscription Rates] to the Board for discussion and possible action. The Motion was revised as suggested by Board members during the discussion. A Motion to Table the Motion was made during the discussion and failed. A final Motion to Set SWL Subscription Rates was made and passed by the Board by a vote of 12-4.

There being no further business, President Murphy adjourned the meeting.

## **Highlighted Reports**

### ***From the Board of Directors Meeting:***

**Education and Outreach:** The Committee is meeting virtually on a monthly basis. The Committee continues to seek additional Chapter representation, especially from the Chipeta, Rock Art, Indian Peaks, and Northern Colorado Chapters. The Committee will be reaching out to all the Chapters over the next month to introduce itself, seek input from and offer support to the Chapters. The Committee, with the assistance of webmaster Bill Haddock, has set up a statewide activities calendar on the CAS website to share Chapter educational and outreach activities (<https://coloradoarchaeology.org/chapter-news-events>). CAS members and Chapters are encouraged to post events and activities to the calendar through this form ([https://bit.ly/submit\\_event\\_cas](https://bit.ly/submit_event_cas)).

**Governance:** The updated Bylaws approved by the CAS Board of Directors on October 22, 2022 have been sent to the Board members and officers.

**History Colorado Special Projects:** A virtual meeting of the International Archaeology Day 2023 (IAD 2023) Planning Committee was held on January 26, 2023. Colorado Parks

and Wildlife no longer is the Planning Coordinator, and the new Planning Coordinator is Community Connections LLC (Jessica Ericson and Jasmine Saxon). There is the possibility that IAD 2023 may relocate from Roxborough State Park to Red Rocks.

**Long Range Planning:** The Committee submitted a “Plan to Plan” that includes the recruitment of additional Committee members. The Committee proposes to “...revisit the LRP process and develop a working copy with a final draft presented to the complete Board for review and approval at the January, 2024, [BOD] meeting.” Significant Chapter involvement and input will be sought by the LRP Committee during the entire process.

**Membership:** Membership numbers remained fairly steady at the end of 2022 with 925 members. The Committee Chair recently did an analysis of how many new members have joined CAS since 1/1/2020 based on Member365 records and the number was 311 (+/- 10), or approximately 1/3 of the total membership. This finding suggests that 1/3 of CAS members have not experienced “live” activities such as in-person meetings or field trips. Both state CAS and the Chapters should consider how this impacts their activities and find novel ways to involve these new members as the organization transitions from virtual-only meetings to hybrid meetings and in-person activities. The Committee Chair will send each Chapter a list of their new members to help them welcome these new members.

**PAAC:** The PAAC state CAS representative provided an update to the report submitted by Becca Simon, who no longer is Assistant State Archaeologist. The vacant Assistant State Archaeologist position has been posted and may be filled by 4/30/2023. Efforts continue to revitalize the PAAC program with ongoing periodic meetings between the State Archaeologist, CAS President Murphy and PAAC state CAS representative Karen Kinnear. Anne Winslow has been added to this group as an experienced and knowledgeable CAS-PAAC liaison with History Colorado under the MOU with History Colorado. Anne will be coordinating with the Chapters through their PAAC Coordinators to identify their needs, wants and concerns.

**Preservation Program Committee (AHPC):** The Preservation Program Committee held a virtual meeting on January 10, 2023 to review the State Preservation Plan and aspects of the State Historic Fund program. A “roadmap” to finalize the Plan and meet deadlines established by both the State of Colorado and the National Park Service. The next meeting of the Committee will be an in-person meeting on May 16, 2023.

**Publications:** *Southwestern Lore (SWL)* will be a bit delayed in getting out to subscribers. Although there are enough articles for next couple of issues, attracting article contributions continues to be a problem. The *SWL* editor and the Publications Chair are looking for more general interest articles and fewer specialized professional articles. JSTOR and EBSCO have been contacted about hosting *SWL*.

The Committee Chair said the Board soon needs to make a decision regarding *SWL* subscription rates. Pursuant to a 2021 Motion approved by the Board, the Publications Committee was to estimate new rates based on the estimated production costs of printed issues and then present a Motion to the Board. The President requested a summary regarding such a proposal from the Chair to present to the Board for future action. Further discussion on this matter was deferred to New Business.

The deadline for articles for the *Surveyor* is February 15. It was asked if Teresa Weedon still is the Facebook administrator, as Linda Sand has been doing it for the last year. The Chair said he would look into the matter.

**Science Advisory:** The 2022 Annual Report soon will be provided to members. The Committee Chair submitted a verbal report along with several slides. The SAC Chair reported that 265 volunteers provided nearly 8,000 hours of time in 2022, the preponderance of which was either survey (~4,600 hours) or excavation (~1,750 hours). This data may reflect a shift to socially distanced outdoor activities during COVID. The 8,000 hours of total volunteer time in 2022 is a significant increase over the 3,660 hours reported in 2021. An update on CAS’s use of the MS Teams virtual meeting platform was provided. Three chapters, the Education/Outreach Committee, and the Executive Committee all currently use MS Teams for virtual meetings. Five licenses remain available to the Chapters.

**Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund, Awards, State Archaeologist (OAHF), Ways and Means:** no report

## Important Message About Upcoming Changes to *Southwestern Lore*

As most of you know, there has been a great deal of discussion over the last five years about how to make the journal *Southwestern Lore* (SWL) financially viable. With ever-expanding publication costs (set-up, printing, distribution preparation, and postage), SWL has been consuming an increasing amount of the Colorado Archaeological Society's annual budget and has consumed the special funds previously established to support CAS publications. Two years ago, the CAS Board voted to transition SWL to a digital version that would be provided to all members and to begin a print subscription service for those who still wish to receive SWL in printed format. The board felt this was the best way to maintain the Journal's long legacy as one of the first archaeological journals in the country and to allow members who still wish to receive the Journal in a hard copy to do so while at the same time freeing CAS resources to be applied to other priorities. Moving to an additional fee for printed versions of journals is a step that many regional and national organizations have had to take over the last decade and we are now joining them.

In the coming months, **members will receive one more print issue of SWL (Spring 2023)** if they had previously signed up to receive a printed copy. **After that, to receive printed copies of the journal, members will need to subscribe to the print version.** For the next two years, the cost of a print subscription will be \$20 per year and will be renewed as part of each member's annual renewal. However, the Board voted at the January 2023 meeting to implement its previous decision beginning this summer and prorate the remaining issues before members' renewal this year at \$5 per issue. Members will be able to purchase the print subscription through the CAS store on Member365. Lifetime members will still be able to receive the print copy of SWL for free; if they do not wish to do so they will be able to opt out.

In general, we anticipate that CAS will continue to fund approximately \$500 per issue to cover the set-up costs. The subscription fees will then cover the cost of printing, distribution preparation, and postage. We will monitor these costs over the next two years to better understand the demand for print issues and will establish a baseline cost for the subsequent year.

To support the move toward SWL self-sufficiency, the Board also established a Friends of Southwestern Lore Fund through which members or supporters can make donations to help maintain the journal in a hard copy format. A number of small journals around the country have adopted similar types of funds and have found it a very useful tool in maintaining their publications.

We will be sending out a series of emails to all members in the coming months as we transition to a subscription fee for print issues. Members will see similar information in upcoming CAS newsletters as well.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me at [rsumner@colostate.edu](mailto:rsumner@colostate.edu).

RAY SUMNER  
CHAIR, PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

## Call for Papers

The Colorado Archaeological Society is seeking presenters for its 2023 Annual Meeting, to be held September 30 - October 1 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Paper and poster sessions will be held on Saturday, September 30th. Paper presentations can range between 15-30 minutes, depending on the amount of information the presenter would like to share.

Contributed papers and posters may cover any topic in Colorado archaeology or the archaeology of our neighboring states. Professional archaeologists, avocational archaeologists, and students are welcome and encouraged to apply.

Please notify Susanne Denlinger as soon as possible indicating your interest in presenting and then **send your presentation's title, author(s), abstract (~200 words), a short biography (2-4 sentences) and audio/visual needs to [Susanne via email](mailto:sd@colostate.edu) by August 25, 2023.**

## What We're Reading

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

**Feedback for Foundation Doc:** Through June 23, the National Park Service has an open period for public comments for the Amache National Historic Site's foundation document. [Read more about what a foundation document is and share your comments here.](#)

**Repatriation Gaps:** Institutions all over the world have issues [repatriating items of cultural patrimony, as told by comedian James Acaster](#), as well as human remains across borders. Listen to "[A Story of Icelandic Skulls](#)" for a case from Iceland where a "collection" is divided by an ocean, eugenics, and limits of national and international laws.

**Mount Blue Sky on Pause:** The [US Board on Geographic Names paused before the discussion and vote to rename Mt. Evans](#) after the Department of Interior received a request for consultation from the Northern Cheyenne Tribe.

**Archaeological Reclamation:** [SAPIENS recently published an op-ed on "archaeological reclamation"](#) from a group of academic and professional archaeologists in North America . The piece posits that archaeology is a tool for community empowerment when used for reclamation -- communities asserting control over their meaningful places, ancestors, belongs, and historical narratives.

**Use Your Head:** [Archaeologists have long puzzled over where the 200,000 logs Ancestral Puebloans used to build Chaco Canyon Great Houses](#) and how they moved these massive logs. [Some researchers at CU Boulder think that tumpines may be the answer.](#)

**PCRG Summer Field Projects Announced:** Paleocultural Research Group recently [released this year's list of summer projects open for volunteers.](#)

## Upcoming Events

For more events, check out the [Statewide Education & Outreach events on CAS's website.](#)

<a href="#">Stephen H. Hart Awards</a>	5 p.m., April 19	History Colorado
<a href="#">The Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site: From its Establishment to its Essential Role Today</a>	7 p.m., April 19, 2023	History Colorado
<b>CAS Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting</b>	<b>1 p.m., April 29, 2023</b>	<b>Pueblo History Museum or <a href="#">MS Teams</a></b>
<a href="#">Archaeology Day at Garden of the Gods</a>	10 a.m. - 1 p.m., May 20	Garden of the Gods, Colorado Springs
<a href="#">Amache Pilgrimage</a>	11 a.m., May 20	Granada Relocation

Center, Granada

South Park Site Stewards'  
Archaeology Training

June 1-7

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SPSS](#) or contact  
[southparkstewards@gmail.com](mailto:southparkstewards@gmail.com)

**CAS Annual Meeting**

**September 30 -  
October 1**

**Shrine Club,  
Colorado  
Springs**

**If you'd like to submit an event to be shared in the next edition of  
The Surveyor, email [cas@coloradoarchaeology.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:cas@coloradoarchaeology.onmicrosoft.com) with event info.  
You can also [submit events directly to the Education and Outreach Events  
calendar](#).**

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