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At the CAS Annual Meeting, Saturday, October 15, 2011, the day was filled with excellent presentations and outstanding posters covering a wide variety of interesting topics. I want to thank the following presenters for sharing their time, papers and posters and those who helped create an enjoyable and educational day:

Morning General Session:

Chaz Evans - Catlinite: Evidence of Long Distance Exchange in an Apishapa Site in Southeastern Colorado

Jakob Sedig - Preliminary Archaeological Research at Woodrow Ruin (SW New Mexico): Prehistoric Mimbres Culture

Kellam Throgmorton - Customs, Ceremonies, Legends and Culture of the Pueblo of Zuni

Catherine Johns - Ceramic Assemblages: Teuchitlan Tradition at Navajas site, Jalisco, Mexico

Andrew Carroll - Terra Cotta Roofing Systems in Central Italy: Comprehensive Catalog of Periods of Occupation at Poggio Civitate (Archaic)

Jack Warner - Lamb Spring Archaeological Preserve: Past, Present, Future?

Cody Newton - Hiding Horses in the Breaks: Documenting the Early to Middle Eighteenth Century Indigenous Occupation of the Little Snake River Drainage

Robert Brunswig, Andy Creekmore & Noel Dijkstra - Archaeological Research at Dearfield: an Early 20th Century African-American Agricultural Colony in Weld County, Colorado

Brenda Todd - Chimney Rock, Chaco and the Local Community: New Research at Chimney Rock Great House

Steve Lekson - Mesa Verde Migrations and CU Research at Pinnacle Ruin

Jessica Hedgepeth - Early Postclassic Pottery from Río Viejo, Oaxaca, Mexico: A Typological and Iconographic Analysis

Kathryn Putsavage - The Black Mountain Archaeological Site of Southern New

Mexico: A Second Year of Excavations

Afternoon Symposium: Recent and Remarkable Archaeological Research in Colorado

Richard Wilshusen – Introduction

Cody Newton - The Snowmastodon Project™: A World-Class Late Pleistocene Site in High Altitude Colorado

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Please send the editor your meeting dates and topic information. These will be published in our calendar when space is available. At jc-sanborn@msn.com

CAS BOARD MEETING

CAS Board Meeting will be hosted by the Denver Chapter on Sunday, January 21, 2012. Location and details are yet to be de-termined.

QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING/ ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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Boulder, Colorado

October 14/15, 2011

The CAS Quarterly Board Meeting and CAS Annual Meeting were held on October 14/15, 2011, in Boulder, CO.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY (TOM HOFF): The CAS bone collection has been returned.

TREASURER (MICHELE GIOMETTI): Current assets are $37,020.66 and liabilities are $3,000.00.

MEMBERSHIP (BEV GOERING): There are 887 chapter members and 633 chapter memberships. Unaffiliated members are 45 and unaffiliated memberships are 41. Life memberships are 24. Chapters are requested to verify their active life members.

ALICE HAMILTON SCHOLARSHIP (PHIL WILLIAMS): Several speakers at the CAS Annual Meeting are Alice Hamilton Scholarship awardees.

PAAC (KEVIN BLACK): One PAAC class was held in Eagle. Four PAAC certificates were awarded for the third quarter. Mary Ann Gabriel (Denver) achieved Provisional Surveyor and Certified Surveyor I, Bonnie Moser (Pikes Peak) achieved PAAC Scholar, and Katherine McComb (Indian Peaks) achieved Certified Surveyor I. The new schedule for PAAC lab training sessions was posted on the OAHP website. There will be a new lab venue in central Denver this year. Two site form workshops for the 2011 PAAC Training Survey at Antelope Gulch were held at OAHP on August 27 and September 15. Kevin gave a presentation on central Colorado chert sources at the Rocky Mountain Anthropological Conference in Missoula, MT. The Introduction to Archaeology PAAC course will be offered in Denver in conjunction with the January, 2012 CAS Quarterly Board Meeting.

PUBLICATIONS / *SOUTHWESTERN LORE* (JUDI HALASI): The Summer/Fall double issue of Southwestern Lore (Vol. 77, Nos. 2&3) contained articles on the Basketmakers. Work is in progress on the winter issue.

PUBLICATIONS / *COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGY* (KEVIN BLACK): Short versions of many of the papers that were presented at the symposium honoring the career of Jim Benedict at the March, 2011 CCPA meeting are planned to be included in the next issue of Colorado Archaeology. Publication is targeted for the CCPA annual meeting in Durango in March, 2012.

PUBLICATIONS / *SURVEYOR NEWSLETTER* (JOHN/CARLA SANBORN): Items for inclusion in the next issue of the Surveyor are requested by November 6.

PUBLICATIONS / WEBSITE (TERRI HOFF): Southwestern Lore index files have been received and are being updated.

ADVISORY BOARD (LINDA SEYFERT): The reports will be combined into a final report, sent to the State Archaeologist, and also published in the Surveyor. A copy also will be attached to the final minutes.

LONG RANGE PLANNING – (RICHARD SUNDSTROM): Denver and Indian Peaks shared newsletters. The Long Range Planning Committee recommends all chapters exchange newsletters during the first quarter of 2012. All chapters shall bring newsletter contact email addresses to the January, 2012 Quarterly Board Meeting.

STATE ARCHAEOLOGIST (RICHARD WILSHUSEN): OAHP moved into the new History Colorado Museum (3rd floor) at 1200 Broadway on September 26. Colorado Archaeology weekend will take place on May 5-6, 2012 as part of the opening month ceremonies and festivals. CAS assistance is requested. An on-site assessment of the curation of Colorado artifacts in almost 30 state-approved repositories is being conducted to evaluate current conditions and offer basic minimal conditions for a state-approved curation facility. Almost 3,000 projects in Colorado were reviewed over the last year.

CHS / CAS REPS (ROBERT MUTAW/PETER FARIS): The State Historical Fund is going to a single round of awards. A new storage facility is located on North Pecos. *Continued on page 6*

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SCIENTIFIC (SURVEY, TESTING, EXCAVATION, LAB):

Denver – The Chapter obtained the State Historical Funding grant for scientific analysis of materials from Blackfoot Site. The Chapter continues to excavate there and likely will do another season there next summer. At present, the chapter is working on a synthesis of the work done on W. Bijou surveys between Metro State and CAS-Denver. It is hoped to have that completed by first of the year.

PUBLICATIONS REPORT: NONE

CURATION ISSUES:

Denver – There is a proposal for CAS-Denver to donate money through the Archaeological Conservancy to purchase the site near Pueblo called Roper's Walk. It is an Apishapa site and they need to raise $61,000 by January. It has 9 intact features, a possible quarry and a natural pool.

SITE STEWARDSHIPS:

San Juan Basin - A few members of SJBAS are cultural site stewards in the program managed by the San Juan Mountains Association. Stewards monitor their sites at least once a quarter. Some sites are monitored monthly, depending on expected site impact.

VANDALISM AND COMPLIANCE ISSUES:

San Juan Basin – Cultural site stewards notify the appropriate Federal or State agencies if any vandalism is observed. None was observed during the last quarter.

CROSS-ORGANIZATIONAL INTERACTIONS:

Denver – As per our CO-CAS Long Range Planning Committee experiment, President Jack Warner sent the DC-CAS newsletter, "All Points Bulletin (APB)", to all CO-CAS chapters for the months of Sept and October. He asked all chapters to provide feedback as to whether that had value to them. The following chapters asked to continue getting the DC-CAS newsletters: Pueblo, Boulder, Indian Peaks, Montrose, Chipeta, Cortez, Hisatsinom, N. Colorado and Glenwood Springs. Indian

Indian Peaks - The chapter is working with Steve Lekson at the University of Colorado on ways to improve its relationship with the university.

PUBLIC EDUCATION / OUTREACH:

Denver – Two public talks and tours at Lamb Spring Archaeological Preserve, Douglas County; A special Lamb Spring tour for students related to a Mullen High School Human Geography class; A talk on Archaeology as a Profession to Pinnacle Charter Middle School students in support of a career counselor's program , Thornton, CO. Also Bob Rushforth's Aviation Archaeology Group of the Colorado Aviation Historical Society is assisting the city of La Junta in photographing the old La Junta Army Airfield (WWII) to determine what is still identifiable and to assist in applying for Colorado Registry for the old Painting Hangar. The building will be put on the Historic Register as the Painting Hangar and not the terminal building as once thought. It is the only WWII building still standing on the site. Also, at this time they have identified the location of a B-25 crash (fatal) on the base. The city plans to put up a memorial plaque on the location.

San Juan Basin - Several SJBAS members continue to participate in the volunteer program at Mesa Verde, volunteer at the Anasazi Heritage Center on a regular basis, and assist on a weekly basis with curation efforts for the artifact collections at the Center of Southwest Studies. Joint meetings are held with the Life Long Learning Program and the Center of Southwest Studies of Fort Lewis College several times a year. Monthly meetings normally draw 40 to 60.

OTHER:

Indian Peaks - Within CAS, the chapter is working with the Denver CAS Chapter (Jack Warner) on ways to exchange information on chapter programs, presentations, and other activities. They are also forwarding their newsletter to all chapters and have received some positive feedback from the other chapters. In addition, the chapter is planning for annual CAS meeting.

San Juan Basin - A few members attended the Pecos Conference. The chapter held field trips: one to a mining district, 2 trips to Indian Reservations, and three trips to Anasazi panels or ruins

Linda Seyfert

Advisory Board Chair

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Kevin Black - PAAC Survey at Antelope Gulch: Final Season Progress and Research on Toolstone Sources in Central Colorado

Alan Reed - What REALLY Big Projects Teach Us: The Joy of Large Archaeological Samples

Michael Metcalf - What REALLY Big Projects Teach Us: Enhancing the Proxy Records for Regional Paleoclimates

Mark Varien and Shanna Diederichs - The Basketmaker Communities Project: Documenting Early Immigrants to the Mesa Verde Region

Jason LaBelle - Over the Hill and Back Again: Perspectives from Long-Term Research Conducted along the Colorado Front Range

Curtis Martin - The Colorado Wickiup Project

Mark Mitchell – Symposium Discussant

Posters: **Ian Anderson & Gaia Ewing -** Mountaineer Site Research Project

Jones LeFae - Belize Valley Archaeological Reconnaissance Project

Sarah M. Millonig - Hogback Surfers: A Synchronic Test of Transhumance Mobility Patterns at the Fossil Creek Site in Northern Colorado

Jason Chambers - Patterns in Space: Examining the Spatial Patterning of Refuse Distribution at the Lindenmeier Folsom Site (5LR13)

Vickie Stone - Reconstructing the Flintknapper: Exploring Drop Zones as an Indicator of Body Positioning

In addition, thanks to **Dr. Douglas Scott**, our excellent banquet speaker for his interesting presentation on "The Sand Creek Massacre of 1864: Finding the Site and Resolving the Issues".

Also, many thanks to **Karen Kinnear** (Indian Peaks Chapter) for her invaluable assistance and support to me, printing the program, handling the lap top for the presentations…and so much more! Karen and the Indian Peaks Chapter are to be commended for an outstanding Annual Meeting! *Linda Seyfert CAS Vice President / Annual Meeting Program Chair*

THE LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

At the July Board Meeting in Cortez, the Long Range Planning Committee discussed how the unique strengths of individual Chapters might be shared. One suggestion was to distribute Chapter newsletters throughout the state.

As an experiment, the Denver and Indian Peaks Chapters agreed to send their newsletter Society-wide between August and October. The newsletters were mailed to CAS Representatives. The proverbial "string" attached was a request for feedback. Did this have value?

The responses were unanimously positive. Jack Warner (Denver Chapter) reported requests from six Chapters to continue receiving the Denver newsletter. Karen Kinnear (Indian Peaks) reported receiving positive responses from among its membership and two other Chapters. The Indian Peaks Board thought sharing newsletters a great idea. Chapter members were excited to learn about activities in nearby Denver.

Considering these results, our committee recommended that CAS encourage all Chapters to send their newsletter to all other Chapters during the first quarter of 2012. This recommendation was approved at the Quarterly Board Meeting in Boulder. So, let's make it official:

We encourage all Chapters to send their newsletter to all other Chapters next January, February and March.

If you like the idea, let us--and the other Chapters--know. Suggestions for further improvement are always welcome. Our aim is to increase the spirit of cooperation and mutual encouragement among Chapters and strengthen CAS as a whole.

Dick Sundstrom, Chairman

CAS President's Corner

As I write this, the last President's letter of my tenure as President of the Colorado Archaeological Society, I have been reflecting on the past two years. I am happy to report that I believe the organization is strong and sound. As always there are opportunities and challenges ahead, however I am being replaced by a very capable president in Linda Seyfert who will be assisted by the new Vice-President Karen Kinnear. Linda has been the Vice-President for the past two years and has organized an impressive array of speakers for both of the annual meetings as well as filling in for me when I have been traveling. Karen was one of the lead organizers of the last annual meeting in Boulder, which was one of the best organized meetings that I have attended since joining CAS nearly 15 years ago.

Many thanks to the Indian Peaks Chapter, led by Ann Robinson, President, for organizing and staffing the annual meeting in Boulder. The facility was excellent and the many volunteer staffing the event were equally excellent. The Indian Peaks Chapter has established a very high standard of excellence for which future meetings will strive to achieve.

I need to thank Tom Hoff, Executive Secretary, for his guidance and council as well as his diligence in making sure the required meetings were held and coordinating with the local chapters to host the meetings. Bob Rushforth, Recording Secretary, has done an admirable job in keeping track of my ramblings at the meetings and making sure all pertinent details have been noted in the minutes. And, Michele Giometti, Treasurer, has continued to insure that CAS has the cash available to pay our bills and manage the reserve funds for maximum safety and flexibility. Thanks to each of you for a job well done.

I want to thank all of the committee heads who have assisted and supported me over the past years. They have all worked diligently to move the organization forward in a positive manner. I need to comment on a few of the committee heads specifically. Phil Williams, head of the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Committee has done an outstanding job of raising money and leading the awards process to assist archaeology students in Colorado. It should be noted that at the annual meeting, at least 12 of the presenters were recipients of Alice Hamilton Scholarships. That speaks loudly of the value of those scholarships in allowing students to continue their education and contribute to the archaeological knowledge base of Colorado. Thanks to Phil's hard work assisted by Terri Hoff with the raffle and silent auction and Tom Hoff with the San Juan River Raft Trip, CAS has the most money available for scholarships this year that they have ever had.

Judith Halasi as editor of Southwestern Lore has done an outstanding job of getting the publication put together and in the hands of our members. In particular the last issue, "The Basketmaker" issue was exceptional. I received a number of comments from some of the authors as well as Sally Cole complementing Judith on her assistance and professionalism in getting the articles ready for publication. Thanks Judi.

Finally, I need to thank Carla and John Sanborn for stepping forward and taking over as editors of the "Surveyor" the CAS newsletter. They have done an outstanding job of putting the newsletter together and publishing it in a timely manner. Again, thanks.

COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY 2011 RAFFLE

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For the Benefit of the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund

We are pleased to report The 2011 Annual Meeting Raffle and Silent Auction fundraisers for our Scholarship Fund totaled a record $4362. The winning raffle ticket was bought by Mancos resident, John Callender, who visited a Hisatsinom monthly meeting and now thinks that joining CAS is a really good idea! Thanks to all the Chapters for the support you give to Colorado's archaeology students

PAAC Schedule: January–June 2012

January
*9–26…….Denver…….PAAC Laboratory Project
21……....Denver…….PAAC Board meeting
22……....Denver.....Introduction to Archaeology, CAS, & PAAC
February
10–12…….Fountain……..Historical Archaeology
March
16–18…….Loveland……..Prehistoric Lithics Description & Analysis
24……....Durango……...PAAC Board meeting
April
20–22…….Durango……...Perishable Materials
May
NO PAAC ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED
June
1–3…….Craig…….Rock Art Studies
TBD…….Summer Training Survey
*Lab project occurs on intermittent dates in central Denver; call or e-mail for information; on-line at www.historycolorado.org/oahp/additional-laboratory-credit
Dates and location for the Summer Training Survey TBD (to be determined)

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ANTI-VANDALISM TASK FORCE (TERRY MURPHY): CAS chapters are requested to submit ideas for Colorado Archaeology weekend. Volunteers also are needed. There is a call to CAS chapters for artwork for the 2012 Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month poster. Theme is "Connecting Colorado" to complement the new State map in the atrium.

OLD BUSINESS:
2011 CAS Annual Meeting (Boulder) – President, Larry Evans, thanked the Indian Peaks (Boulder) Chapter for hosting the 2011 Annual Meeting.

Outgoing CAS Board – President, Larry Evans, thanked the 2011 CAS officers and committee chairs.

Executive Secretary, Tom Hoff, thanked 2010/2011 President Larry Evans.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee Report (Tom Hoff)
The nominations for 2012 CAS officers were:

President/Linda Seyfert
Vice President/Karen Kinnear
Treasurer/Michelle Giometti
Secretary/Bob Rushforth
Election of officers at the CAS Annual meeting was unanimous by acclamation.

2012 CAS Quarterly Board Meetings and 2012 CAS Annual Meeting

Two of the four 2012 CAS Quarterly Board Meetings are established.

January 21 – Denver

March 24 – Durango (with CCPA meeting)

The remaining two 2012 CAS Quarterly Board Meetings (July, October), including the CAS Annual Meeting (October) will be determined at the January CAS Quarterly Board Meeting.

Bob Rushforth Secretary

DECEMBER 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8 San Juan Basin Archaeological Society Holiday Party	9	10
11 Pikes Peak Chapter Christmas Party	12 Denver Chapter CAS Members night	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Northern Colorado Chapter CAS Holiday Gathering	22 First day of Winter	23	24
25 **Merry Christmas**	26	27	28	29	30	31

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