Bon Voyage, Lucy!

We want to take a moment to recognize long-time CCPA member, Lucy Bambrey who recently moved to Oregon to be closer to family. Lucy has been a familiar face and active CCPA member for the past 17 years. She was CCPA President in 2008–2009, At-Large Board Member from 2005–2007, and actively served on the Newsletter Committee for several years as well as co-chairing the Awards, Resolutions, and Recognition (ARR) Committee. Her ARR co-chair, Michelle Slaughter, would like to especially thank Lucy for the times that she stepped in and took charge of the ARR during (and at times beyond) Michelle’s time as CCPA president. Thank you for your years of dedication and service, Lucy. You will be missed!

- Michelle Slaughter, ARR Committee Chair
- Jacki Mullen, Newsletter Editor

General Announcements

Ward Weakly Donation Letters

Thanks to everyone who donated to the Ward Weakly Scholarship Fundraiser. As far as we know, most donors were offered a receipt letter for tax purposes, but if you need one please contact Cody Anderson at canderson@metcalfarchaeology.com.

Contribute!

We are always looking for new and interesting material to include in the next edition. Please send research articles, fun discoveries, or anything that might interest the CCPA community to Jacki Mullen at jacki_mullen@alpinearchaeology.com.

Newsletter Committee Update

I would like to extend a big thank you to Bridget Ambler for volunteering to join the Newsletter Committee. Bridget will be replacing Lucy on the Committee, and will be providing current research updates from the Canyons of the Ancients Visitor Center and Museum (formerly the Anasazi Heritage Center).
President’s Corner

By Cody M. Anderson

As the newly elected CCPA President, I find there is a lot to discuss for the first few months that I’ve been in the position. First, I’d like to give a great many thanks. Thank you to everyone who attended the 40th Annual CCPA Conference in Longmont. Thanks to all of the sponsors, supporters, presenters, volunteers, organizers and field trip hosts. I’d especially like to acknowledge the dedicated work of Chris Johnston, Marilyn Martorano, Dr. Holly Norton, Dr. Steve Cassells, Dr. Mark Mitchell, and Britni Rockwell. They contributed on all levels to making the conference a success. I’d also like to thank the Executive Committee members who have fulfilled their voluntary obligations that includes At-large member Jeremy Omvig, stand-in Treasurer Tosh McKetta, and President Dr. Jason LaBelle.

A number of items happened at the conference that I’m sure will be discussed in the following pages of this newsletter. However, I’d especially like to highlight a few.

• It was decided at the business meeting that we should allow the Native American Initiatives Committee to award multiple winners to the Native American Scholarship, if that opportunity should arise.

• There were outstanding posters for this year’s Student Poster Competition. We all appreciate everyone’s participation. This year’s award winners are summarized below in Chris Johnston’s Conference Summary.

• Dr. Todd Surovell (University of Wyoming) was the banquette’s keynote speaker. He discussed his ethnoarchaeological research of nomadic reindeer herders in Mongolia.

• Dr. Christian J. Zier was inducted as a CCPA Fellow. I am especially pleased with this year’s Fellow Award. As many of you know, Chris is one of my best friends. At a young age, he took me under his wing and mentored me throughout the years. Thanks, Chris!

In other news, the CCPA was asked to consider writing a statement regarding the growing issue of the concept of Ute Prayer tree. A few of the CCPA members and I met with the Colorado State Archaeologist and representatives of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, and Northern Ute Tribe (Uintah and Ouray Reservation). Representatives of these tribes included official tribal elders, culture directors, and Tribal Historic Preservation Offices. Apparently, the bent tree controversy on prayer trees has been going on a long time as an issue of Native American beliefs. These trees are often identified as “Bent Trees,” “Ute Prayer Trees,” “Spirit Trees,” “Burial Trees,” and “Vortex Trees.” For several years, there has been a growing interest among the public, particularly in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado, regarding naturally modified trees as having some religious and spiritual value to Native Americans. These official representatives of the Ute tribe are especially upset because these trees are being associated with their ceremonial practices and beliefs. If there is one thing that they want the public to know is that they specifically do not want to be associated with this modern cult phenomenon associated with irregular growing trees. The official Ute representatives that we met with do not endorse this as part of their cultural practice. It is especially disturbing that these naturally bent trees are being used as a for profit at
the expense of the Ute culture. As such, it was agreed that the CCPA would write a statement acknowledging that our organization denounces the recognition of naturally “Bent Trees” as culturally modified features and/or artifacts associated with the Ute culture. The statement is currently being drafted and should be available in the next newsletter.

Finally, I attended the Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) Quarterly Board Meeting, in Grand Junction. The CCPA and CAS are ending the joint publication of the printed journal *Colorado Archaeology*. The last time it was published was in 2012 and since that time it has received one manuscript for review. Because of the near total lack of submissions, and the recent launch of the digital outlet “*Reviews in Colorado Archaeology*” on the ORCA website, it was apparent that the publication could end safely. Also in the meeting, there was an effort to reduce cost in publishing *Southwestern Lore*. CAS President, Neil Hauser, is trying to make it available online to the members who would like it electronically. All members who would still like a physical copy would have that as an option. Additionally, the journal is provided to dozens of institutions throughout the area, so the paper version is not going away. This seems like a reasonable option that I fully support. In the digital age, it seems only fair to have that available to members. In the meantime, CAS is faced with a staggering expense of $3,500 per publication, which is supposed to be published four times a year (when there are enough articles submitted). I briefly discussed the opportunity of using CCPA funds to support the publication of *Southwestern Lore*, which has undoubtedly served as excellent mechanism for several of our key missions. However, no formal requests from the CAS board have been sent to entertain the idea to the CCPA Executive Committee.

Well, that’s just about sums it up for now. Have a wonderful and safe field season!

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**Conference Summary**

*By Chris Johnston, 2018 Conference Organizer*

The 40th annual meeting was a huge success! We had about 240 attendees over the three days, coupled with some amazing papers and posters and a wonderful banquet talk by Dr. Todd Surovell preceded by an extremely entertaining (and successful) live auction fundraiser. One thing we were especially excited about was the nearly 60 students who registered and attended the meeting! Eight of these students participated in the Student Poster Competition and shared with us some of the great research the next generation is up to. All were deserving of awards, but two stood out to the judges: Erica Bradley (Colorado State University) took the undergraduate prize for her poster *Obsidian Conveyance Costs and Source Exploitation in the Bureau of Land Management’s White River Field Office* and Brianna Dalessandro (University of Denver) took the graduate student prize for her poster *Ground-Penetrating Radar Collection and Processing Techniques at the Magic Mountain Site*. Congrats to all who participated!

This year’s conference was certainly not the cheapest one we have held, due in large part to rising venue and event costs and also the fact of being on the Front Range where costs are expectedly higher. To help keep registration costs as low as possible, we initiated an aggressive sponsorship campaign. We cannot thank enough the 27 different organizations and institutions that contributed to making the meeting such a success! We also owe a huge thanks to all of the volunteers and others who lent a hand before, during and after the meeting. Thank you to all for coming out, we certainly enjoyed the meeting and we hope you did too! See you next year in Durango!
CCPA members visit the posters and exhibits during a break (Photo by Lou Madden).

Sean Larmore distracts Kevin Gilmore from finishing his PowerPoint presentation (Photo by Tosh McKetta).

Meg Van Ness, Steve Lekson, and Marilyn Martorano discuss Marilyn's lithophone exhibit (Photo by Jacki Mullen).
Early bird attendees (l-r), Anne McKibban, Michelle Slaughter, Cody Anderson, Becca Simon (upper), Bridget Ambler, Meg Van Ness, Abbie Harrison, and Jasmine Saxon (Photo by Jacki Mullen).

Michelle Slaughter and Jacki Mullen are history buffs.

Cherylene Caver displays several of her replica Early Plains conical pottery (Photo by Lou Madden).

Past-President Jason LaBelle recognizes outgoing Board Member Jeremy Omvig during the business meeting (Photo by Jacki Mullen).

Incoming President Angie Krall is excited to start reading Robert's Rule of Order (Photo by Jacki Mullen).

Dr. Mark Mitchell presents during the conference (Photo by Lou Madden).

CCPA Fellows (l-r) Jon Horn, Adrienne Anderson, Kevin Black, Susan Collins, and Chris Zier (Photo by Lou Madden).
The 2018 CCPA Books and More Sale!

By Marilyn A. Martorano

We’d like to thank everyone who donated books and other items to the sale and the silent and live auctions! Also, we would like to extend our gratitude to ALL the many volunteers who assisted in so many ways – hauling huge boxes of books, setting up and organizing, and helping to sell all the wonderful items that were donated. A special shout out to the folks who donated so many great books, those who brought all of the great items for the silent auction, and also those who provided high-end items for the live auction: Dr. Steve Cassells, Dr. Cal Jennings, Bonnie Gibson, and Dr. Adrienne Anderson. Special thanks are also extended to Mark Mitchell for being our fantastic MC for the live auction. Finally, we thank everyone who bought books and donated to the cause. The sale and auctions brought in nearly $3,000 to support the Native American and Ward F. Weakly Memorial Scholarship fund! These scholarships are very important parts of CCPA’s mission to support students, and we greatly appreciate your generosity.

Conference attendees check out the book sale (Photo by Marilyn Martorano).

Bonnie Gibson with her handblown glass piece she made for the silent auction. (Photo by Jacki Mullen).

Lou Madden and Dr. Adrienne Anderson man the checkout table at the 2018 book sale (Photo by Marilyn Martorano).

Dr. Cal Jennings, during the CCPA live auction (Photo by Jacki Mullen).

Conference attendees enjoy a presentation with the spread of auction and book sale items in the foreground (Photo by Jacki Mullen).
Chris Zier Honored as CCPA Fellow

By Bonnie Gibson

At the 2018 conference in Longmont, long-time CCPA member Chris Zier was inducted as a CCPA Fellow. Christian J. Zier, born and raised in Boulder, Colorado, has been an accomplished archaeologist and business owner for almost forty years. He received his BA, MA, and Ph.D. from the University of Colorado Boulder. He attended field school at the Mesa Verde Research Center and served a fellowship at the H. S. Colton Research Center of the Museum of Northern Arizona. He conducted field excavations in El Salvador and paleontological research in Tunisia. He worked at various organizations, such as the Mesa Verde Research Center, the University of Colorado, and the Colorado Highway Department, until he co-founded Metcalf-Zier with Mike Metcalf in 1980. In 1984, Chris opened Centennial Archaeology, Inc. As the president and director of Centennial, Chris worked in the Rocky Mountain West, the High Plains, and the American Southwest. His particular interests were in the upper Arkansas Basin of southeastern Colorado. Chris directed projects in Fort Carson, Pinon Canyon, and throughout the region. He was the lead author of *Colorado Prehistory: A Context for the Arkansas River Basin*. He has led large-scale inventories, including the TransColorado, Rockies Express, and Lost Creek Gathering System pipelines, excavations at the Magic Mountain site, Monument Creek Site, and numerous sites in Pinyon Canyon. In addition to numerous technical reports, he has been published in the Plains Anthropologist, the *Journal of Field Archaeology*, and *Southwestern Lore*. In recent years, fieldwork has taken him to Central America, Africa, and Asia. He retired from Centennial in 2014 and has since become the editor for *Southwestern Lore*. Chris has served as President of the CCPA (1990–1991), At-large Board Member of the CCPA (1985–1987, 2014–2016), and member of the Piñon Canyon Maneuver Site Ad Hoc Advisory Committee (2013–2014).

While Chris may be a great archaeologist and a successful businessman, it is his character that makes him especially worthy of the CCPA Fellowship. He is a humble man of unparalleled personal and professional integrity and pragmatism. He’s intellectually curious, and he’s an adventurous spirit with an incessant drive. He is patient, determined, kind, and understanding. He has fostered archaeological passions in many a young archaeologist and has taught them effective leadership through example. Chris is not just an archaeologist or an employer, but he is a friend, an advocate, a big brother, and a father to whomever may need the support. He is a dedicated husband, father, grandfather, triathlete, and fisherman. To those that have worked for him, those that have called him a friend, it is his guidance, his knowledge, his friendship, and his love of life that has made us all better archaeologists, better people, and he is truly the epitome of a mentor and a friend.
Indian Mountain Tour

By Greg Wolff

On a crisp Sunday morning after the conference, a dozen or so CCPA members and conference attendees met with Boulder County Parks and Open Space Cultural Resource Specialist Carol Beam and Resource Planning Manager Jeff Moline at the Indian Mountain site (5BL876) near Lyons. CCPA Fellow Dr. Steve Cassells directed field school excavations at the site in 1983 and was scheduled to lead the tour, but unfortunately was unable to attend this year’s CCPA meeting. The multicomponent habitation site is nestled in the foothills near Lyons, situated on the eastern edge of the Dakota sandstone hogback with an expansive view to the east. At least 10 stone circles are present at the site, and radiocarbon dates obtained from hearths within two of the stone circles during the 1983 investigations suggest at least two Early Ceramic components (1120 +/- 200 BP and 1280 +/- 195 BP). The same project also recovered charcoal from within a third stone circle that provided a radiocarbon date of 2140 +/- 200 BP, indicating a Late Archaic component. Notably, a small undecorated brownware sherd and a “Woodland looking” projectile point tip were associated with this particular component, implying a remarkably early cultural connection with Plains Woodland groups from further east. The site thus raises intriguing questions about the timing of the Late Archaic/Early Ceramic transition as well as foothills/plains settlement patterns. The site is located on a parcel that is closed to the general public in perpetuity and must remain undeveloped open space under the donation agreement to Boulder County. However, the donation agreement allows the County limited access for management purposes and valid scientific, educational, or cultural purposes.
Fort Vasquez Museum Field Trip – “Booming” Fun!

By Marilyn A. Martorano

About a dozen CCPA members and family attended the Fort Vasquez Museum field trip and enjoyed a fun and informative presentation by Rusty Guenard. Fort Vasquez is located about 35 miles northeast of Denver, Colorado. Louis Vasquez and Andrew Sublette operated the Fort Vasquez fur-trading post from 1835 to 1842. After ruthless competition and changing trade patterns caused the pair to leave the fort, it served as a landmark along the South Platte River Trail even after its abandonment. The location of the fort was preserved between the lanes of Highway 85, and the adobe structure was reconstructed in the 1930s. The rebuilt fort now serves as one of History Colorado’s regional museums.

Field trip attendees were given the opportunity to see the many types of trade goods that were commonly utilized during that era and were even allowed to test-fire a very loud and smoky flintlock gun under the supervision of Rusty. A great time was had by all and we extend our thanks to William (Bill) Armstrong, Director; Rusty Guenard, tour guide; and the History Colorado Fort Vasquez Museum staff for sharing the history of this site with our CCPA members!

CCPA 2019 Annual Meeting – Durango, Colorado March 7–9, 2019

By Jesse Tunne, Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, Fort Lewis College

We are very excited for the opportunity to once again host the annual CCPA meeting in Durango, Colorado! Preliminary planning is off to a good start. The dates for the meeting will be March 7-9, 2019. We are tentatively looking at hosting the meeting events at Fort Lewis College. The official conference hotel will be a short 5-minute drive to one of the downtown hotels (hopefully either the Strater Hotel or the Double Tree). We are looking at having at least one field trip before the meeting on Thursday, followed by the Early Bird party at one of Durango’s excellent local breweries. As the planning continues over the coming months, we’ll be in touch with additional updates.
CDOT Archaeologists Establish New Base Camp

By Greg Wolff

After more than 60 years in southeast Denver, the CDOT Headquarters complex on East Arkansas Avenue and nearby Region 1 (Denver Metro) office on South Holly Street moved into a shared office in central Denver in early May. The new complex was recently constructed near the intersection of Colfax Avenue and Federal Boulevard, an atlatl toss from the home of the Denver Broncos (Mile High Stadium, or whatever corporate name has been chosen subsequent to publication of this newsletter). The rumor that the co-location of the two organizations is due to a shared affinity for the color orange is false. Please update your Rolodex with the new address if you need to visit or send snail mail to your CDOT archaeologist or historian: 2829 West Howard Place, Denver CO 80204.

Compass Fee Increase

The Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation is announcing the first increase in Compass subscriptions, file searches, and PAAC classes since 1994. The new fee structure will take place beginning July 1, 2018. New rates are listed below. More information can be found at our website https://www.historycolorado.org/office-archaeology-historic-preservation-fee-increase. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Sullivan at mary.sullivan@state.co.us. Please note Compass is moving, and as of 1 June it can be accessed at https://gis.colorado.gov/compass

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Staff Run File Searches

There are 2 different types of file searches that staff completes. A basic file search is one based on locational information; a custom file search is one based on any criteria other than location.

New Basic File Search Fees: Fee for basic file searches = Base Fee + Site/Survey Fee + Expedited fees if applicable.

Search Base Fee: $20.00
For each site or survey found in the requested search area the following charges apply:
0–5 sites/surveys = No Charge; $1.00 for each site/survey after 5

Expended Search: ≤ 3 business days as time permits Additional $100.00

New Custom File Search Fees:
Custom Searches minimum $40.00 per request + Shape/Site Fees*
*Contact OAHP for custom search request options and to determine fees.

Digital Reproductions:
Under 1 MB = No Charge
≥ 1MB $3.00 per MB

PAAC Fees
$12.00 to $40.00 depending on class materials
Twenty-Five Years Ago in Colorado Archaeology (Spring 1993)

- CCPA officers for the 1993–1994 year were: Kevin Black, President/President-elect; Bruce Bradley, President/Immediate Past President; Jenny Anderson, Treasurer; Meg VanNess, Secretary; Angla Schwab (Rayne), Al Kane, Sally Crum, and Mike Metcalf, Board Members.

- The February 1993 CCPA Newsletter included the Initial Announcement and Call for Papers for the 1st Biennial Rocky Mountain Anthropological Conference to be held in Jackson, Wyoming, fall 1993. The 2019 conference, the 13th biennial meeting, will be held in Logan, Utah.

- During the 1993 field season, the Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (OAHP) conducted investigations at several human burial sites as part of its on-going program implementing the “unmarked human graves” provisions of the 1990 amendments to the state's antiquities legislation. These included a Plains Woodland (C-14 1520 ± 110 BP) burial in Larimer County, a pioneer-era burial near Red Lion in Sedgwick County from an unmarked location adjacent to the South Platte Trail, a Native American burial of possible Ute affiliation near Rio Blanco County, an historic-period Native American burial near Peyton in El Paso County, a presumed Anasazi burial north of Cortez in Montezuma County, and a partial skull in Glade Park west of Grand Junction in a disturbed context on private land.

- The CCPA Newsletter included a lovely tribute to CCPA Fellow Al Lancaster (1894–1992) who died at age 98 after spending most of his life participating in many of the major archaeological research projects of the 20th Century.

Encyclopedias Are Forever

By Kevin Black

There are a couple news items I'd like to pass along regarding the Colorado Encyclopedia Project. First, if you haven’t visited the site lately, there are lots of new articles posted including lengthy "thematic essays" that introduce each of the six sections of the site. For articles in the Origins theme, go to https://coloradoencyclopedia.org/article-theme/origins. Also, in April 2017 the project received a grant from the State Historical Fund that supports the publishing of many new articles on Archaeological and Historical Sites (please visit https://coloradoencyclopedia.org/place/historic-and-archaeological-sites for a current listing). Anyone who has ideas for articles fitting this section or any other in the Encyclopedia should submit a Topic Suggestion Form, which you can find by clicking on the Contributors link at the bottom of the home page. Finally, a slide show that includes an overview of the project has been posted on the RMAA web site at http://www.rockymtnanthro.org/Projects/. Thanks for your continued interest in the project!
Current Research: People, Mountains, and the Anasazi Heritage Center

By Meghan J. Dudley, M.A., University of Oklahoma

After decades of research, Rocky Mountain archaeologists are finally able to paint a picture of the daily lives of people who lived in the mountains in the past. We know where they camped, what they ate, and what materials the used for their tools. However, questions about how they perceived their mountainous world and why they loved the mountains have proven to be more challenging for archaeologists to address. Yet, it is social questions like these that I am fascinated by and hope to better understand through my research.

As a Ph.D. student studying under Dr. Bonnie Pitblado at the University of Oklahoma (OU), I first became interested in these questions during the course of my M.A. thesis research at OU. I watched my peers working in the American Southwest and Southeast answer such questions much more easily because the archaeological record they worked with consists of pueblos, mounds, pottery, and other decorated objects. Instead, I was looking at a mobile hunter-gatherer record from the Rocky Mountains, consisting of chipped stone tools and waste debris from tool production – and little else. As a result, I posed this question in my thesis: are perceptions of past places and landscapes even visible to archaeologists when only lithic artifacts are left behind? Through a pilot study in the Bridger Mountains of southwestern Montana, I was able to identify certain landscapes and what people may have valued and perceived as important about them, using an entirely lithic archaeological record (Dudley 2017).

Essential to completing my M.A. thesis research was my ability to access to existing collections in Montana that were robust enough to tackle these challenging questions. Thus, as I began my dissertation research, I knew it would be crucial for me to see existing collections from the Upper Gunnison Basin (UGB) in Colorado, to determine if there was enough data present to be able to conduct the same kinds of analyses I did in my thesis. Thanks to funding from the Pat Gilman and Paul Minnis Scholarship and the Graduate Student Senate Spring Travel Grant, I was able to visit the Canyons of the Ancients Visitor Center and Museum (formerly the Anasazi Heritage Center) in Dolores, Colorado and view UGB collections from lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management. While I was there, I took note of the types of artifacts collected as well as the quality of archived records to determine if existing collections would be robust enough across the landscape to address my questions about people’s perceptions of the UGB in the past. As I anticipated, some collections are well suited for my research and others are not. It was this visit that helped me determine that I will need to conduct field work for my dissertation, in addition to utilizing existing collections, such as those at the Canyons of the Ancients Museum, and I am hopeful that I will able to answer my questions over the course of my dissertation research.

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Native American Initiatives Committee Update

By Greg Wolff, Committee Chair

A voice vote of the membership at the 2018 Annual Meeting in Longmont in March was in favor of allowing the Executive Committee the authority and discretion to award multiple scholarships in the event of more than one worthy application for the CCPA Native American Scholarship. In other news from the Longmont meeting, Dr. Kimball Banks has volunteered to join the NAIC. And last, but certainly not least, many thanks to the CCPA membership for an overwhelmingly successful book sale fundraiser at the Annual Meeting. The generosity of CCPA members never ceases to amaze and inspire!

On a related note, the Board of the Denver Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society voted in January to donate $200 to the CCPA Native American Scholarship Fund. Many thanks to our friends at CAS for their support.

In May, the Executive Committee voted to approve the NAIC recommendation to award CCPA Native American Scholarships in the amount of $750 to Kristin Kayaani (Navajo Nation) and Chance Ward (Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe), undergraduate students at Fort Lewis College who will attend their institution’s field school later in the month. The field school will take place at a prehistoric archaeological site near Cortez, CO.

Membership Report

By Jon Horn, Committee Chair

The membership committee recently sent out reminders for 2018 dues. Thank you to all of you who responded! Those of you who haven’t renewed yet, I know you meant to, so don’t delay any longer. It is really easy: You can renew by mail using the renewal form at the end of the newsletter or by using PayPal on the website http://coloradoarchaeologists.org/membership/. Thank you for your continued support. Let me know if you ever have a question about your membership.

So far, we have 137 members current for 2018. We also have processed 20 applications for membership in 2018 and have upgraded one membership from Associate to Voting. Thank you all for joining. Please, consider talking to your colleagues about what a great organization CCPA is and the value of becoming a member. You – our current members – are our best means of gaining new members, so please encourage archaeologists you know and those that support archaeology through GIS or other means to join! Applications are available on the website and at the end of the newsletter.

For those of you who are instructors, please note that CCPA is a bargain for your students at just $10 per year. In addition, when you get a new crop of students in the fall, please encourage them to join. As an added incentive, students that join in the fall will have their membership be valid through the following year. For instance, students who join in Fall 2018 will have their memberships carry through all of 2019. What a great way for your students to start their archaeology career, find out about jobs, and interact with Colorado’s archaeological professionals!
Ward Weakly Scholarship Program Update

By Mark D. Mitchell, Committee Chair

During the fall grant round, the committee awarded $495 to April Kamp-Whittaker, a doctoral student at Arizona State University. April earned her Master's degree from the University of Denver for her research on the archaeology of the Amache Japanese internment camp. She is continuing her Amache research at ASU and will use her scholarship to develop a database of demographic information about camp’s residents.

Although no proposals were received for the March 1 grant round, this year has been a productive one for the scholarship program. The book sale and live auction at the annual meeting in Longmont was tremendously successful. Many members contributed books and other items to the sale and numerous individuals volunteered their time to organize the contributions. In the end, the sale generated $2,876.38 for the Ward Weakly and Native American scholarships, making this year's event among the most successful ever.

This year’s annual meeting also featured a poster presentation by Delaney Cooley, a graduate student at the University of Oklahoma who was awarded a scholarship in 2016. Cooley’s project used artifacts from Bill Buckles’ excavations on the Uncompahgre Plateau to study the Numic Expansion in Colorado.

Shortly after the annual meeting, Southwestern Lore, the quarterly journal of the Colorado Archaeological Society, published an issue entitled “Building on the Past: Honoring the Legacy of Colorado’s Archaeologists; A Symposium Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of CCPA’s Scholarship Program.” Edited by Ward Weakly Scholarship Committee member Adrienne Anderson and Southwestern Lore editor Chris Zier, the issue features five papers initially presented in a symposium at last year’s 39th Annual Meeting in Grand Junction. The papers trace the history of the Colorado Archaeological Society and Southwestern Lore, and discuss the scholarly contributions of pioneering Colorado archaeologists.

Over the past 26 years, the Ward Weakly Memorial Fund has awarded 54 scholarships totaling $26,614. The fund’s success can be measured both by its short-term impacts and by its long-term outcomes. In the short term, scholarship funding permits students to pursue more substantial projects, including analyses that might otherwise have not been possible. In the long term, scholarship funding shows students that they are an important part of the archaeological community and encourages them, as their careers develop, to provide the same kind of support to future generations of Colorado archaeologists.

Ward F. Weakly Memorial Scholarship
Applications are due November 1, 2018

Applications for CCPA’s Ward Weakly Memorial Scholarship are due November 1. Information about the scholarship and application form can be found on CCPA’s website (www.coloradoarchaeologists.org) under “Scholarships.” Students at any level can apply!
Council of State Councils Meeting Summary

By Kelly Pool and Becca Simon

The Council of State Councils, made up of representatives from each state or provincial professional archaeological organization, held their annual meeting in Washington D.C. in April, concurrent with the SAA meeting. Kelly Pool and Becca Simon attended as CCPA representatives. The meeting consisted of two parts: (1) history and current initiatives of the host state’s organization (Council of VA Archaeologists [COVA]); (2) a discussion focusing on Arizona’s HB 2498, led by the AZ Archaeological Council (AAC) representative.

Three of COVA’s current initiatives could be useful to CCPA. First, they present awards to non-archaeologists involved in historic preservation. For example, they have recognized citizens who donated land to the Archaeological Conservancy. Second, they donate copies of COVA-produced archaeological contexts (similar to CCPA’s 6 contexts) to public figures such as US and state legislators as well as mayors so they are readily available for their reference. Finally, they have created three crowd-sourced material culture websites as a platform to encourage information donation and sharing. The latter project was an outreach effort by COVA’s Collection Management Committee that focused on assessing Virginia’s archaeological collections through a major survey effort and on promoting research in those collections. The websites are clay tobacco pipes (http://www.cova-inc.org/pipes/visual.php), wine bottle seals (http://www.cova-inc.org/wineseals/index.php), and stone projectile points (http://www.cova-inc.org/points/index.php). The sites are research tools with downloadable CSV files and maps; submissions of these artifact types found worldwide are accepted.

These three initiatives are related to an underlying theme of the C of C and SAA meetings this year: the continuing importance of outreach beyond our profession to engage and educate non-archaeologists in what we do. If we wish to attract support for historic preservation from lawmakers and from the public, then we have to make archaeology easily accessible and engaging beyond our own field.

COVA planned the second half of the meeting around discussions on how other state councils deal with interactions with policy makers, public outreach, archaeological collections, and membership goals, but it ended up largely focused on policy makers and Arizona HB 2498. Although HB 2498 was eventually vetoed by Arizona’s governor one month after the SAA and C of C meetings, it had the potential to do enormous damage to AZ’s cultural resources, as it would have potentially allowed unqualified and virtually untrained individuals to conduct archaeological investigations on AZ state lands. As summarized by the AAC representative at the C of C meeting and as stated below in two excerpts from AAC’s letter to Governor Ducey:

The bill is unnecessary, and was introduced and amended without proper consultation of professional archaeologists or Native American communities. The language of House Bill 2498, which would amend the Arizona State Historic Preservation Act, conflicts with language in the Arizona Antiquities Act … and has the potential to result in litigation against the state by promoting the use of inadequately trained and unsupervised para-archaeologists. House Bill 2498 was prepared and lobbied for by the Arizona Cattlemen’s Association and introduced by Arizona State Representative David L. Cook (R – District 8/Globe). The AAC respects the very real concerns of Representative Cook and Arizona’s ranchers, and although House Bill 2498 represents a good faith effort to streamline rangeland improvements, the lack of collaboration with professional archaeologists and Native American communities during the legislative process resulted in a bill that is inherently flawed and unnecessary, and puts Arizona’s heritage resources at risk (http://arizonaarchaeologicalcouncil.org/aac_news/6132688).

At the time of the SAA and C of C meetings, the feeling was that the bill would become law, and SAA wrote a strong opposition letter to Arizona’s governor on April 19. After these meetings, the bill passed the AZ
Senate on May 3 and was reconciled with the AZ House; it was then sent to the governor’s office, where it was vetoed. According to SAA President Susan Chandler’s note to members in the May 2018 SAA Government Affairs and International Government Affairs Update email, in his May 16, 2018 letter announcing the veto, Governor Ducey stated that he agrees with industry’s goal of reducing regulatory burdens and correcting wasteful activities, especially if doing so will bolster the state’s economy. He indicated, however, that his administration and the State Historic Preservation Office have been working to streamline and improve processes, referring to a Programmatic Agreement put in place in October 2017.

In the same email, Ms. Chandler cautions, “as Arizona has shown us, if professional archaeologists do not work with agencies to improve and streamline the process under which existing historic preservation laws are implemented, then industry will find a way to change those laws.”

Talk of AZ HB 2498 at the C of C meeting led to a discussion of how professional and avocational archaeologists partner in each state to advocate for historic preservation issues. Only one of the states represented (CA) had an organization that includes both professional and avocational archaeologists; their membership is in the thousands and is too unwieldy to accomplish much outside of committees. Most other states present (e.g., CO, WY, IA, FL, IL, TX) reported separate professional and avocational societies, and in Florida and Iowa, professionals are required to belong to the avocational societies. In most cases, states reported cooperation across all groups to support historic preservation. In Wyoming, it was noted that the avocational group, whose members include owners of large land holdings, is potentially more influential with state legislators than professional archaeologists.

The meeting concluded with a commitment to continue to make the listserve a place to post historic preservation threats, to gain support for issues, and to seek advice from other state councils. Kelly and Becca will forward such listserve posts to the CCPA membership.

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**Colorado Archaeological Society**

*By Neil Hauser, President of CAS*

The Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) members always enjoy the presentations on Colorado archaeology that are given at the CCPA meeting each year. One on experimental archaeology, making a replica Ceramic Period vessel, was especially timely since CAS is trying to promote more experimental archaeology projects by its members. These projects are an opportunity for members to obtain more insight into the “how” and “why” of the artifacts and features associated with the prehistoric peoples of Colorado. In addition to questions that arise from our own members, CAS is reaching out to all CCPA members for ideas that might be investigated and/or tested experimentally by CAS members and that could be used to further inform Colorado archaeology. Thank you to those that have already provided some ideas, and I look forward to hearing from more of you. CAS looks forward to continuing our association with CCPA and its members.

I would like to especially thank Cody for taking the time and braving the spring snowstorm to attend the CAS Quarterly in Grand Junction in early April. Hopefully there were a few nuggets for him in all the “fill dirt”. A notable result was, the board approved that starting no later than January 2019 *Southwestern Lore* will be available to members as a printable pdf, through our members portal, as well as be able to receive it in the traditional printed journal.

CAS is always looking for speakers, particularly for chapters not on the Front Range, and articles for *Southwestern Lore* so please contact either a local CAS chapter or one of the contacts on our website if you have a subject you’d like to share, either as a presentation or in written form.
CCPA Listserver: Sign-up Today!

The CCPA email Listserver has nearly 100 subscribers. Postings relate to the job opportunities, current regulatory issues, general notices, and association business. Don’t be left in the dark between newsletters. Send an email to Greg Williams, and he will add you (it usually takes about a week). He can’t add you without a request, and it is best to use your personal email instead of a business email or a .gov or .edu email because these often get blocked. If you submit an email that forwards to another email it usually won’t work either. Sorry, that’s how Google does it. Email Greg at greg@redpoint-resources.com or call him at 303-748-0321 and he will be glad to help you out.

Education Committee Update

By Becca Simon and Bonnie Gibson, Committee Co-Chairs

At the March meeting, the Education Committee had a working lunch discussing options and activities for the committee. A mix of members and interested individuals attended. The topics discussed included options for the remaining funds of the Project Archaeology BLM assistance agreement, how to better reach students about public archaeology, and ideas for developing site stewardship and cultural preservation programs around the state. The concept of smaller workshops with specific focus for archaeologists was particularly popular.

The CCPA Education Committee continues to promote Project Archaeology (PA) across the state. Dani Hoefer continues to work individuals (educators and archaeologists) encouraging them to use the curriculum. Another Colorado representative will be at Project Archaeology’s Leadership Academy, Tami Coyle. A famous site in northwestern Colorado, the Red Army Rock Shelter, is a focus of PA’s latest published curriculum, Investigating Rock Art, which the national office is actively promoting. PA’s National Archaeology Educator’s Conference will be in La Crosse, WI, November 5th -9th. You can find more information about PA related activities on Facebook (search for Project Archaeology, or Colorado Project Archaeology, or Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists Education Committee).

Collaboration is key in public outreach and education. The Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) Education Committee has reached out to CCPA about what we could possibly do together. No actual meetings or activities planned so far, but we are excited for the opportunity. As always, if you have any suggestions or needs in the realm of archaeological educational and public outreach, please contact the committee co-chairs: Becca Simon (rlsimon1415@gmail.com) and Bonnie Gibson (bkggibson@yahoo.com).

Snippets of Legislation Pending in Congress – June 1, 2018

The Society of American Archaeology’s Governmental Affairs and International Governmental Affairs Update often includes a list of pending legislation. These bills are at various stages as they work their way through the legislative process. Most are never passed in their current form, but their tenor gives you a very good picture of congressional “thinking” on various issues. Here are a few pieces of such legislation that might be of interest to CCPA members. Some of these, such as **H.R. 3990- National Monument Creation and Protection Act**, have been addressed in back issues of the *CCPA Newsletter* as they have moved through congress. These pieces of legislation, if passed, would affect the way in which cultural resources are managed in the United States.

**H.R. 1002-National Heritage Areas Act**
Sponsor: Rep. Dent (R-PA)
Status: Pending before the House Natural Resources Committee

This bill would create a National Heritage Area System within the Department of Interior to "conserve, enhance, and interpret natural, historic, scenic, and cultural resources that together tell nationally significant stories representing our country’s heritage," and to provide a single standard process for the creation of new Heritage Areas and their management plans. Existing Heritage Areas would be folded into the new system. The legislation would also allocate $700,000 to each Heritage Area per fiscal year. SAA understands the important role that National Heritage Areas play in helping preserve American culture, and is studying the potential impact of this measure.

**H.R. 2199-Federal Land Asset Inventory Reform Act**
Sponsor: Rep. Cramer (R-ND)
Status: Pending before the full House

This measure would require the Secretary of the Interior to consolidate all existing land inventories used by the Department into a single "master" inventory of resources contained in and upon the lands administered by Interior. The inventory data would include assets such as natural and, presumably, cultural resources, and transportation and energy infrastructure. Existing inventories found to be outdated or redundant would be eliminated. The new central inventory would be searchable by the public.

**H.R. 2936-Resilient Federal Forests Act**
Sponsor: Rep. Westerman (R-AR)
Status: Passed the full House, pending before the Senate Agriculture Committee

This bill would, through the use of categorical exclusions in specified situations, speed forest health project reviews under the National Environmental Policy Act and the NHPA. The measure would apply to lands under the control of the BLM and Forest Service, as well as Tribal lands. Project managers would be able to carry out Section 106 reviews of certain undertakings without having to consult with SHPOs or THPOs. Other projects would have a 90 day deadline for SHPO and THPO offices to complete their reviews.

**H.R. 3990- National Monument Creation and Protection Act**
Sponsor: Rep. Bishop (R-UT)
Status: Pending before the full House

The House Natural Resources Committee, on October 11, approved the bill, which would weaken the Antiquities Act by setting extensive conditions upon a president’s ability to designate new National Monuments of more than 640 acres. The measure was passed on a party-line vote of 23 to 17. H.R. 3990 would require that future designations of between 10,000 and 85,000 acres first be approved by the executives and legislatures of all affected states and localities. It would also prohibit the creation of any new Marine National Monuments, and allow presidents to reduce the size of existing Monuments. SAA and numerous other cultural and environmental preservation organizations are working to prevent this bill from being passed by the House.
H.R. 4532-Shash Jáa National Monument and Indian Creek National Monument Act  
Sponsor: Rep. John Curtis (R-UT)  
Status: Pending before the House Natural Resources Committee

H.R. 4532 would establish two National Monuments in San Juan County, Utah, comprising the two far smaller successors to the now-reduced Bears Ears National Monument. It would also establish "the first tribally co-managed National Monument in the nation." The legislation would maintain the former Monument’s mineral development withdrawal (approximately 1.35 million acres), and would also create Archaeological Resources Protection Units in both of the new Monuments, along with additional money and law enforcement personnel to better protect tangible cultural heritage within the new Monument boundaries. While the provisions for increased protection for archaeological materials are welcome, SAA cannot support a codification of the President’s reduction of the Bears Ears National Monument, which is what this bill represents. Further, the local and tribal co-management system established by the measure would be unworkable and detrimental to the government-to-government relationship required for federal-tribal consultation. Hearings on the bill were held on January 9 and January 30. You can read SAA's testimony here. SAA and other preservation groups will continue to oppose this bill.

S. 1400-Save Tribal Objects of Patrimony Act  
Sponsor: Sen. Heinrich (D-NM)  
Status: Pending before Indian Affairs Committee

The bill would prohibit the export of illegally-procured Native American objects of cultural patrimony, increase the penalties for NAGPRA criminal violations, and better coordinate work on this issue by federal agencies. It would also encourage the voluntary return of tangible cultural heritage. The sale of Native American cultural items of dubious provenance by overseas auction houses has been a significant issue in recent years. SAA and other organizations, along with the U.S. government, have attempted to prevent the sale of these items on the grounds that many of them were obtained in violation of tribal or federal law, with mixed results. This measure would make it easier for U.S. authorities to ask foreign governments to take action. SAA is working to support this legislation. A hearing on the bill was held on November 8. You can watch the proceedings here. SAA submitted testimony, which you can read here, and is working with other stakeholders to resolve problems with the legislation.

H.R. 5886-To apply the Bank Secrecy Act to dealers in art or antiquities  
Sponsor: Rep. Messer (R-IN)  
Status: Pending before the House Financial Services Committee

The legislation would extend the requirements of the Bank Secrecy Act to art and antiquities dealers, mandating that they keep records of significant cash purchases and report transactions that may signify criminal activities. In essence, the bill would have the sale of art and antiquities treated in a manner similar to that of other precious objects that are often implicated in illicit transactions and criminal money laundering activities. Artifacts and archaeological materials are often looted and smuggled in exchange for large sums of money in the market, and H.R. 5886 would help prevent illegally-procured objects from entering the flow of commerce. SAA and other preservation groups are working to support this important legislation.

S. 2354-Antiquities Act  
Sponsor: Sen. Udall (D-NM)  
Status: Pending before the Energy and Natural Resources Committee

This legislation would respond to the president's reduction of the Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monuments by: 1) reinforcing that National Monuments created by presidential proclamations can only be reduced by an Act of Congress; 2) requiring that presidentially-created Monuments be surveyed and have management plans put in place within two years of their inception; 3) expands the Bears Ears Monument to the 1.9 million acres originally proposed by the Tribal Coalition; and 4) provides increased funding and ensures access to the Monuments for "hunting, tourism, scientific research, conservation, and cultural uses."

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**S. 2907-Chaco Cultural Heritage Area Protection Act**  
Sponsor: Sen. Udall (D-NM)  
Status: pending before the Energy and Natural Resources Committee

The bill would provide higher levels of protection for ruins and the cultural landscape near the Chaco Culture National Historical Park by withdrawing approximately 316,000 acres of federal land from energy leasing or development. SAA and other preservation groups will work to support it in the weeks ahead.

**Other**

Various bills other than H.R. 3990 and H.R. 4532 have been introduced in the House and Senate (H.R. 243, S. 22, S. 33, S. 132) that would alter the method by which National Monuments could be created under the Antiquities Act. SAA and other preservation groups are working to oppose these measures, as we have in the past. In addition, two other bills (H.R. 4518 and H.R. 4558) have been introduced to restore the Bear’s Ears and Grand Staircase National Monuments to their original proposed sizes.

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**Archaeological Community Visits Congressional Delegations**

By Kimball Banks*

Scores of SAA members visited Capitol Hill during the recent SAA annual meeting to spread the word about the importance of archaeology in particular and how heritage resources preservation can be scientifically, culturally, and economically beneficial to the nation. Both SAA and the American Cultural Resource Association (ACRA) yearly sponsor a Hill Day where representatives of the archaeological and preservation community visit delegates to discuss funding and/or legislation pertinent to historic preservation. Because of the upswing in preservation funding in the current year's budget, much of this year's effort was to thank those Senators and Representatives that had supported the increased funding.

The message was focused around three main points-first, that the Antiquities Act should be kept intact; and second, that Section 106 reviews do not result in long and costly delays for infrastructure projects, and that there is need for effective cultural resources protection during infrastructure development. Other topics of discussion included continuation of the historic preservation tax credits, and the issue of the Executive Order reducing the size of the Bears Ears National Monument and the potential for impacting other national monuments. CCPA members participating in these events include Nathan Boyless, Kimball Banks, Kim Redman, and Susan Chandler.

At the local, Colorado, level Kimball Banks from Metcalf Archaeological Consultants, along with Denver Museum of Nature and Science archaeologists Chip Colwell and Steve Nash with support from a few non-archaeologists, have met staffers in the local offices of Jared Polis, Cory Gardner, Diane Degette, and Michel Bennett and are hoping to meet with our other Representatives to discuss the Executive Order and Bears Ears and the merits of the Antiquities Act, along with other issues. The response has been generally positive, with staffers recognizing the potential impacts on the cultural resources along with the impacts to local economies with respect to tourism and recreation.

A tip of the hat those folks who have stepped out to make personal contacts with our delegates. Keep in mind that you, too, can do this and/or contact your delegation via the SAA's TAKE ACTION portal or via individual representatives web sites. Easy to do. You don't have to be a member of the SAA to use this useful tool. It is at the top of the SAA web site.

*Some information taken from David Lindsay's column in the May 7, 2018, SAA Legislative Affairs Update. Lindsay is the Manager of the SAA Government Affairs Program.*
Mark Your Calendars!

2018 Pecos Conference
August 9–12, 2018, Flagstaff, Arizona
Visit http://www.pecosconference.org/ for more information.

2018 American Cultural Resource Association Annual Conference

September 6–9, 2018, Cincinnati, Ohio

Midwest Archaeological Conference
October 4–6, 2018, Notre Dame, Indiana
Visit http://www.midwestarchaeology.org/2018-NotreDame-Indiana for more information

76th Plains Anthropological Conference
October 24–27, 2018, San Antonio, Texas
Visit http://plainsanthropologicalsociety.org/meeting for more information.

Great Basin Anthropological Association
November 7–10, 2018, Salt Lake City, Utah
Visit https://greatbasinantropologicalassociation.org/ for more information.

American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting
November 14–18, 2018, San Jose, California
Visit http://www.americananthro.org/ for more information

2019 Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology
January 9–12, 2019, St. Charles, Missouri
Visit https://sha.org/conferences/ for more information

Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists Annual Conference
March 7–9, 2019, Durango, Colorado
Visit http://coloradoarchaeologists.org/meetings-events/annual-meeting/ for more information.

Society for American Archaeology 84th Annual Meeting
April 10–14, 2019, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Approved Minutes for the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists’ Executive Committee Fall 2017 Meeting, October 20, 2017, Fort Collins, Colorado

By Michael Prouty, Secretary

Time: 11:00 am–3:15 pm

Present:

Dr. Jason LaBelle (President)
Cody Anderson (President-elect)
Michael Prouty (Secretary)
Tosh McKetta (Acting Treasurer & Membership Committee)
Rebecca Simon (At-large member & Education Co-Chair)
Dr. Holly Norton (SHPO)

Mary Sullivan (Web Page Editor)
Marilyn Martorano (Ethics Coordinator)
Kelly Pool (Publications Committee Chair)
Greg Wolff (Native American Scholarship Chair)
Lucy Bambrey (Awards, Resolution, & Recognition Committee Chair)

Call to Order

Dr. LaBelle called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. He asked for any additions or changes to the agenda, with no additions or changes being made. Dr. LaBelle asked for any changes to the Spring 2017 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Dr. LaBelle, Ms. Simon, Dr. Norton, and Mr. Wolff noted some minor changes that needed to be corrected. A motion was made by Dr. LaBelle to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Anderson, with the voting members approving the motion.

Secretary Report

Mr. Prouty reported that Mr. McKetta had given him financial documents that had been passed down to him during his time as Treasurer. Mr. Prouty noted that he will need to go through the documents to see what will need to be possibly archived at the Denver Public Library. In regards to archiving, Dr. LaBelle stated that he was not sure what Mr. Prouty will need from each of the officers and committee chairs to complete the 2017 archival donation. Mr. Wolff suggested that the handbook might indicate what is needed. Mr. McKetta and Mr. Anderson recommended also talking with previous Secretaries about what is needed.

Treasurer Report

Dr. LaBelle noted that due to Justin Lawrence’s workload and time constraints, and after discussions with Mr. Anderson and Dr. LaBelle, he chose to resign as the Treasurer. Mr. McKetta has volunteered to serve as the interim Treasurer until the position can be filled during the March 2018 annual meeting. At the time of the current meeting, a formal resignation from Mr. Lawrence had yet to be received. As such, Mr. Lawrence is still officially the Treasurer. Dr. LaBelle stated that until a formal resignation could be received, he could not call for a vote from the EC and officially appoint Mr. McKetta at the Treasurer. Mr. McKetta mentioned that he did not need to be formally designated. Ms. Simon asked if this impacts signing checks. Dr. LaBelle responded that he, Mr. Anderson, Nathan Boyless, and Mr. Lawrence are all on the signature card and are able to sign the checks. Ms. Pool suggested that the duties and time commitment for each officer position be distributed to the elected individual prior to them taking the position. She noted that this might help those that volunteered to see what is required and make a decision if that position would be something that they would be able to commit to for the term length.

Mr. McKetta reported that he is still going through the books. He noted that the books are, for the most part, up to date through March 2017, but there are issues. He was able to submit the 2016 federal taxes
Dr. LaBelle noted that at the spring 2017 meeting that the EC had approved the purchase of a new laptop. He asked Mr. McKetta if that was still needed. Mr. McKetta responded that it was not needed if a cloud-based Quickbooks program works. Ms. Simon suggested that if the cloud-based program works, it might be useful to purchase an external hard-drive to serve as a backup instead of a new laptop. Dr. LaBelle stated that he would look into an online Quickbooks account.

Dr. LaBelle mentioned that Adrienne Anderson had asked him to remind the EC that thank-you notes had not been sent to the donors of the last meeting and was wondering if this was a task that was carried out by the Treasurer. Mr. McKetta stated that in the past it was the Treasurer who would send them out and stated that it would not take too long to compose them. Ms. Martorano mentioned that the letter usually came with the CCPA letterhead, so that donors can use them for tax purposes. Ms. Pool stated that there should be a formal letter that can be used and would forward the letter to Mr. McKetta. Mr. Wolff suggested that if Mr. McKetta is updating the duties for the Treasurer in the handbook, he might consider including a section regarding that thank-you letters need to be distributed to donors that contributed to the organization or the scholarships.

**OAHP Update**

Dr. Norton reported that there have been more staff changes at the OAHP. These included resignations in the National Register office, within State Historic Fund, within the museum, including the Director of the Education. Ms. Simon asked with the changes in the museum and education areas, if the STEM grant was affected, and Dr. Norton responded that the changes did not affect the STEM grant for the Ute Museum. She mentioned that SHPO and OAHP are working on how to redistribute the workloads and will be putting out job announcements for many of the positions. Dr. Norton reported that she recently attended the Western States Meeting of the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers (NCSHPO) and that the region is stable. She noted that Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) was reauthorized at the end of the recent congressional session for seven years; however, each year will need to receive congressional approval. Currently, no HPF funds would be dispersed until November to SHPOs, but she reported that the Colorado SHPO would be okay. It will be a continuing issue moving forward, but there is little concern as the HPF has bipartisan support and people support the work of SHPOs. Dr. Norton reported that they are receiving an increase in Programmatic Agreements, and because of the increase and in addition to normal Section 106 work, they are not able to review the PAs as quickly. She stated that they will get to them, but it might take a little longer than it has in the past. Dr. Norton concluded her report that History Colorado is co-hosting the 2017 CAS Meeting in Denver and that Senator Gardner has nominated the Ute Museum in Montrose for its cultural work. She thanked all those that worked on the remodel of the Ute Museum and for developing its programs.

**CAS Update**

Dr. LaBelle gave a CAS update on behalf of Karen Kinnear. Dr. LaBelle stated that the CAS meeting is scheduled for October 27–29, 2017 at the History Colorado Center in Denver. Dr. LaBelle noted that he would be giving a CCPA update at the meeting. Dr. LaBelle reported that CAS would like the CCPA to discuss ways to increase participation of CCPA members at CAS meeting and the conference. CAS is still exploring ways to “do” advocacy. They do not have any policies in place, but are working on it. However, they are still receiving pushback from members concerned with getting involved. Dr. LaBelle stated that CAS is wondering what options might be available for members to work with CCPA on various projects or
assist archaeologist in various activities. They also have a good slate of nominations for officers to vote on at the meeting later in October 2017. Dr. Norton mentioned that PAAC also receives requests for lab work rather than fieldwork. As such, she noted that if people know of collections that might need work, CAS might be open to working on the collections. Mr. Wolff also suggested that the Douglas County Museum might be open to having volunteers.

**Awards, Resolution & Recognition Committee**
Ms. Bambrey reported that the committee received three Fellow nominations in 2017: Susan Chandler, Jon Horn, and Alan Reed. The committee, voting members, and the Executive Committee approved the nominations for each, and the new Fellows were honored at the 2017 Annual Meeting in Grand Junction. Ms. Bambrey reported that there is no major update, except that they are looking for new CCPA Fellow nominations, and that no requests for resolutions have been made for the President to sign. She offered that if CCPA members would like to draft letters in response to government affairs, to contact them and they would be more than willing to start drafting those letters. Dr. Norton stated that if the committee needs information regarding government affairs, she could pass on the information generated by other groups (such as NCSHPO) to the committee if it would be helpful. Dr. LaBelle noted that for CAS awards there is a biographical sketch and photograph that is usually published in *Southwestern Lore*. He wondered what the procedure was for the CCPA. Ms. Bambrey noted that the nominator for the award composes a short biographical sketch for the nomination purpose.

**Education Committee**
Ms. Simon reported that the committee has been working with the Student Affairs Committee to get it up and running. She reported that Katie Arntzen and Cara McCain attended Project Archaeology's Leadership Academy in June and Dani Hoefer attended the Project Archaeology's Legacy Institute in Chicago. She reported that Katie Arntzen would be leading a Project Archaeology workshop during the Saving Places Conference in 2018 for Colorado Preservation, Inc. She noted that there was $5,000 remaining in the Education Committee budget from the BLM Project Archaeology assistant agreement, and they received an additional $7,000 to the BLM grant to use for workshops this year. Ms. Simon reported that she was selected to be on the Project Archaeology Leadership Team and would be attending the Leadership Team Retreat in October 2017. She also mentioned that Project Archaeology is working on expanding its role in education and Section 106 compliance work and has produced a pamphlet about how Section 106 projects can incorporate Project Archaeology. Ms. Simon asked that members contact her if there are updates or questions or if there is confusion about the two Facebook pages.

**Student Affairs Committee**
On behalf of Bonnie Gibson and Nathan Boyless, Ms. Simon reported that they are working on establishing the committee. Dr. LaBelle asked if they were planning on having a slate of candidates for the upcoming election. Ms. Simon responded that they do not, but they do have people that are interested in serving on the committee.

**Ethics Committee**
Ms. Martorano noted that there have been no ethic complaints and did not having anything to report.

**Financial Committee**
Dr. LaBelle, on the behalf of Jacki Mullen, stated that there was nothing to report.

**Programmatic Agreement/Fort Carson Advisory Committee**
Dr. LaBelle gave a report on behalf of Kimball Banks. The committee received consultation letters for, and commented on, 11 actions (all *no historic properties*, except for one *no adverse effects*). They were mostly modifications to structures. Mr. Anderson stated that he was given an annotated bibliography to review regarding the archaeology portion of a document that is essentially updating the Arkansas River Context. The committee is waiting for drafts to be reviewed on the Canyon of the Ancients (NPS), the Arkansas...
Headwaters Recreation Area (BLM – Royal Gorge Field Office), and Landscape Restoration (USFS), before determining if the committee will participate. As of the fall meeting, committee members include Kimball Banks (chair), Anne McKibben, Greg Wolff, and Michael Selle.

**Membership Committee**

Mr. McKetta gave the report of the Membership Committee on behalf of Jon Horn, referring the EC to the written report. As of October 2017, there were 169 members who are current on their dues. The report noted that the CCPA is down 19 members from 2016. Mr. Horn sent two reminders to members to pay. He wondered if the reason memberships were down was either due to a lack of reminder letters or if it was the increase in dues. There were 10 new applications as of October 2017. This included three people whose applications were in a stack of unopened mail and had applied earlier in the year. The applications were processed immediately and their memberships extended through 2018 as a result of not having the benefit of membership through most of 2017. The Membership Committee would like to grow the student memberships, and suggested approaching college and university instructors to encourage students to join. Mr. Horn also suggested that student applications received in the fall have their memberships extended through the following year.

**Native American Scholarship**

Mr. Wolff reported that the EC voted to expand the scope of the Native American Scholarship (NAS) to include other training aside from field schools. The language was updated on the website in March. No scholarships were awarded in 2016, but three well-qualified applicants submitted in 2017. One scholarship was awarded to a graduate student from New Mexico State University. Mr. Wolff noted that within the last four years, seven of the 10 applicants have been from Fort Lewis College. He attributes this to the large Native American student population and that the college offers a field school in alternating years. Mr. Wolff stated that the goals of the committee for the upcoming year include how to appropriately consider applications that differ in scope and how to follow up on the effectiveness of the non-field school training. The committee would also like to explore ways to better advertise the scholarship and to update the committee's section in the CCPA Handbook.

Mr. Wolff asked the EC to discuss if the committee could be allowed to award multiple scholarships if the funds are available. Mr. Anderson did not see that being a problem. Ms. Simon asked if the full amount is awarded when an applicant is chosen. Mr. Wolff responded that yes, it is always fully awarded as many applicants typically need more funds in order to attend the field school. Because the scholarships come from one fund, as an organization, the CCPA does not want to have competing fundraisers. Additionally, Mr. Wolff noted that there are a lot of pros for awarding multiple scholarships a year, if the funds are available; and since the Ward Weakly Scholarship already awards multiple scholarships, there is a model in place. He did state that the committee does not want to go down a path that offers scholarships to any training without scrutiny, but this might be a way to offer scholarships to multiple deserving candidates when the funds are available. Mr. McKetta asked how the award procedure is described in the bylaws, and do we, as the EC, have the power to decide this or is a vote of the membership required? Dr. LaBelle noted that the process is not codified in the bylaws, but is spelled out in the recent update to the CCPA Handbook. Mr. Wolff noted that the NAS award is presently capped at $750 and the committee chooses an applicant to whom to award the NAS, notifies the EC, which then votes whether to award the NAS based on recommendation of the committee and availability of funds. Mr. Wolff noted that, although the handbook presently states “one scholarship,” he was not certain that the limit of one was intentional when approved by voice vote of the membership and voted by the EC a few years ago. He then mentioned that there is perhaps a situation where accepting multiple scholarships could be granted provided the total does not surpass $750. Ms. Simon noted that having two scholarship award dates might help with the different schedules of training sessions and field schools and with weighting the different applicants. Mr. Wolff noted that having multiple scholarships would help achieve the overall goal of the scholarship. Ms. Bambrey stated that this scholarship is a worthy cause, and if the funds are available to award multiple scholarships we should. Dr. LaBelle mentioned that as long as the funds are there and are being awarded.
replenished, then it should be awarded. Dr. LaBelle concluded that he would check the bylaws about the awarding multiple scholarships and make sure it is okay. Mr. Wolff noted that for clarity, transparency, and democracy, the committee and the EC should mull this issue, clarify our recommended course, and then receive a voice vote of approval from the membership.

Dr. LaBelle suggested looking at universities to see how they award Native American grants. Mr. Wolff responded that he would look into that. Dr. LaBelle also suggested that the scholarships (both the Native American and Ward Weakly) incorporate a video message as part of their scholarship requirement. This would allow for the membership to see who received the scholarship and might be a way to participate in the annual meeting without the added cost of travel. Ms. Simon suggested that the videos could be used for announcements of the scholarships to the organization. Dr. LaBelle noted that it also might help younger scholars visualize archaeology and anthropology as a career. Dr. Norton noted that the Southern Ute has a new person in charge of outreach to the tribal youth for training purposes within the THPOs in the Ute Mountain Ute and Southern Ute tribes and she would pass on their contact information to Mr. Wolff.

**Newsletter Editor**
Dr. LaBelle, on the behalf of Jacki Mullen, reported that the Fall 2017 Newsletter had just been published and that there was nothing else to report.

**Publications Committee**
Ms. Pool reported that people still use and like the contexts. Since the Spring 2017 Annual meeting, 10 to 15 publications had been sold through the website. The ceramics volume CD is produced on demand, as it is the cheapest route. Sixteen copies of *Ancient Colorado* have been sent to new and renewing members. In addition, Ms. Pool reported that she met with the Utah Project Archaeology coordinator at the Rocky Mountain Anthropological Conference, and will send them a box of 100 copies of *Ancient Colorado* to use in their Project Archaeology workshops. Additionally, a CCPA member distributed a box of 100 copies of *Ancient Colorado* to a teacher to use in a grade school class. Ms. Pool is expecting a letter describing the use of the books. She also reported that the coordinator for the Teacher Education Program at CSU-Pueblo uses the books that were donated and enjoys them. Ms. Pool noted that a priority for the winter is to develop a proposal on how to distribute PDF copies of the contexts to CCPA members who had purchased the first printing (which did not have an associated CD).

**Ward Weakly Scholarship**
Dr. LaBelle gave a report on the behalf of Dr. Mark Mitchell and noted he had nothing to add from the written report that was given by Dr. Mitchell. The written report states that, since the spring 2017 Executive Committee meeting, there has been a transition within the Ward Weakly Scholarship Committee. After 28 years, Dr. Adrienne Anderson has stepped down as chair and Dr. Mitchell has volunteered to chair the committee. Dan Haas, Robert Wunderlich, and Mike Metcalf continue to serve as committee members, and Erin Drake and Suzanne McKetta have volunteered to serve on the committee. Dr. Anderson will also continue to serve on the committee. No applications were received for the spring grant, and as of early October 2017, no applications for the fall grant had been received.

**Webpage Editor Update**
Ms. Sullivan reported that she needs to go into the website and clean it up a bit. Mr. Prouty asked what was the process for adding the new Fellows to the website, as they had not been added as of October. Ms. Sullivan responded that a biography will need to be submitted to her, but she could put a placeholder on the page. Ms. Bambrey added that the nominator usually puts a brief biography together then gives it to the Fellow to add to and review before sending it to Ms. Sullivan. Ms. Bambrey also noted that other Fellows have not been added. Dr. LaBelle noted that one of the tasks is to go through the webpage with Ms. Sullivan to update the page.
**New Business**

*Anthropology/Archaeology Student Census*

Dr. LaBelle reported on the initial work of a census of anthropology/archaeology students he and Gordon Tucker are working on. He described the objective of the project, a sample of the type of questions that they will be asking college and university departments, and offered a general timeline for the project. Dr. LaBelle then asked the EC if there was any additional information that might be helpful. Mr. Wolff noted that the census would be a benefit to the Native American and the Ward Weakly scholarship committees. He also noted that he has collected some data that the Native American Scholarship Committee has used and will pass it on to Dr. LaBelle. Mr. Wolff also suggested sending out an email to the CCPA membership asking for connections to departments if need be. Dr. LaBelle noted that this would hopefully be useful for departments for better interactions between disciplines. He also stated that the census is initially focusing on undergraduate students because the overall education at the graduate level is different.

*2018 Annual Meeting Update*

Dr. Norton gave a brief update of the upcoming 2018 Annual Meeting in Longmont. The meeting organizers have meeting spaces and a roomblock reserved. At the time of the meeting, they were working on possible fieldtrips, and were discussing the idea of a logo design contest. Fundraising had not been determined and if anyone in the EC had ideas, she requested that they pass them onto to the meeting organizers. Some fundraising ideas include a silent auction, a book sale, or a raffle. Dr. Norton also asked the EC if we need anything else, such as rooms for workshops, special meetings, etc., to let them know. She also noted that they would have a small side table for a book sale, regardless of any other fundraiser that might be organized. Mr. Wolff asked Dr. Norton to provide any information about fundraisers so he can pass that onto the Native American Scholarship Committee members so they can be able to help out as need be. Dr. Norton also mentioned that Chris Johnston suggested that the EC might discuss establishing a Fundraising Committee in order to assist future meeting organizers. Dr. LaBelle asked if we would be interested in asking publishers to setup tables at the book sale. Dr. Norton responded that she would look into that. Ms. Simon suggested that if we have publishers, we might be able to establish a vendor fee that could be used for scholarships. Mr. Wolff questioned if we would want to have expensive books sold at the conference in which the proceeds do not go back to the organization.

*2018 Nominations*

Dr. LaBelle noted that Mr. Boyless is running the nomination committee for the upcoming elections. Two positions are open and will need candidates, including the Treasurer and the Native American EC Board Member. Dr. LaBelle noted that the Native American EC Board Member has been vacant and asked if there were any ideas on how to fill it. Ms. Sullivan asked what the classifications are for the Native American EC Board Member, and if Mr. Wolff might know of any scholarship recipients that he might nominate. Mr. Wolff responded that he would look into that. Ms. Simon suggested looking into the potential nominations from the Southern Ute THPO. Ms. Bambrey stated that, in the past, the CCPA would have a panel discussion about Native American views and participation in archaeology and that might be worthwhile to begin again. Dr. LaBelle asked the EC to send names of possible candidates to him, Mr. Anderson, and Mr. Boyless.

*CCPA Handbook Update*

Dr. LaBelle stated that he would like to update the CCPA Handbook. He asked all officers and committee chairs to review their respected sections in the handbook and let him and Mr. Anderson know of any changes.

*CCPA Response and Advocacy*

Dr. LaBelle noted that he, Dr. Norton, and Mr. Banks recently met with Congressman Tipton. The purpose of the meeting was a general meet and greet, but this meeting might provide a stepping-off point for future meetings about the organization’s concerns with changes to heritage preservation. Dr. LaBelle then asked the EC about the response that the CCPA should have in regards to the proposed bill that would modify the
Antiquities Act and the creation of National Monuments. Dr. Norton asked the EC if she should recuse herself, as she is a state employee. No objections were made to her staying. Dr. LaBelle also stated that he acts as a private individual as the President of the CCPA and not as an official member of Colorado State University. Mr. Wolff stated that we should be advocating, regardless of geographic location, as this is our profession. Ms. Pool noted that the Council of Council at the SAA’s has discussed this as well and are trying to revive their list serve for the benefit of members to use as a support network. Dr. LaBelle asked what our advocacy might entail, giving suggestions such as letter writing or phone calls. Ms. Bambrey stated that the CCPA has written letters before. Mr. Wolff mentioned that letter writing is good, but that face-to-face meetings with our representatives would also be beneficial. Dr. LaBelle agreed that face-to-face meetings are important, and that if we do more, we will need to have the Awards, Resolutions, and Recognition Committee involved as it is a full time job.

Ms. Bambrey suggested that we compose a follow-up letter to be put on the record. Dr. Norton suggested that the letter be sent to Colorado representatives. She also suggested that other organizations, such as NCSHPO have preexisting letters that ask for signatories. Ms. Simon noted that if we are a non-profit advocacy group for archaeology, we should provide and solicit an avenue for people to reach out. Dr. LaBelle asked if the EC thought if we should get the membership involved, or is this task just for the EC. Or should there be use of a preexisting committee, or form an ad hoc committee. Dr. Norton suggested that an ad hoc committee might not be the way to proceed. Ms. Bambrey noted that this is something that the Awards, Resolutions, and Recognition Committee could handle. Dr. LaBelle stated that it might be good to ask other members to join the Awards, Resolutions, and Recognition Committee in order to help, as the current committee members have enough to do. Ms. Simon suggested we use other avenues, such as the SAA Portal, the Government Affairs Committee, and/or other smaller committees or interest groups through the SAA, to keep the membership abreast of the issues. Dr. LaBelle also asked the EC what would be the best approach to write the letter. Mr. Wolff suggested that we create a template and provide it to the membership in order to fill out. Ms. Pool suggested that we invite Congressman Tipton to the CCPA annual meeting and Dr. LaBelle suggested that we might consider organizing a special session at the annual meeting to give the membership a venue for discussion. Dr. Norton suggested that we include avocation groups and members in the discussion as well. From the discussion, Dr. LaBelle presented four action points for the organization and EC to proceed: 1) work with preexisting committees to draft a response letter, 2) use multiple venues to keep the membership informed of issues, 3) encourage members to write letters to government officials, and 4) request meetings with Colorado representatives and elected officials in order to discuss our concerns.

Other Business
Mr. Wolff informed the EC that the design of the new Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month Poster is underway and that History Colorado will be taking the lead on the design. There might be a chance that a funding request be submitted to the CCPA. Dr. Norton asked if federal funding is being provided and Mr. Wolff responded that funds in the past have come from a variety of sources, including federal, the CCPA, CAS, and private organizations. Dr. LaBelle mentioned that Colorado State University will be hiring a collections manager and the anthropology department will be starting a Ph.D. program in the fall of 2018. The department will also be hiring a new archaeologist that specializes in North American prehistoric farming, encouraging a focus on Fremont, Southwest, and, to a degree, the Plains.

Adjourn
Dr. LaBelle called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Prouty made the motion, with Ms. Bambrey seconding the motion. Dr. LaBelle adjourned the meeting at 3:15 pm.
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About CCPA

The Council is a non-profit voluntary association that exists for the purpose of maintaining and promoting the goals of professional archaeology in the State of Colorado. These goals shall include but not be limited to: a. establishing and promoting high standards of archaeological research, reporting, and management. b. establishing and promoting a mechanism to represent professional archaeological interests in political and public forums. c. establishing and promoting a mechanism for communication within the archaeological community. d. promoting public education and interest in the fields of archaeology and cultural resources management. e. providing Council input to the Office of the State Archaeologist of Colorado. f. demonstrating concern for the archaeology of Colorado. g. establishing and promoting open communication and cooperation between archaeologists and the living descendants of groups subject to archaeological research in Colorado.

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