

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the
Central States Anthropological Society
Saturday, March 24, 2012 12:15-1:15 p.m.
Ballroom I, Park Inn by Radisson, Toledo, OH**

CALL TO ORDER

President Buckner called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Margie Buckner

President Buckner welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the new officers who were present, including Jim Stanlaw (2nd vp), Lee McNair (nominations), and Julie Hollowell (board). Nobuko Adachi (board) is out of the country. She thanked outgoing board members Myrdene Anderson and Nancy Eberhardt for their service.

President Buckner announced 2011 CSAS Award Recipients as follows:

Dillingham Award: Evelyn Dean-Olmsted (SIU Edwardsville)

White Award: Janni Pedersen (Iowa State U)

Graduate Student Paper Award: Janni Pedersen (Iowa State U) *Gricean Maxims in Bonobo-Human Conversations*

Undergraduate Student Paper Award: Geoffrey Grimm (Illinois Wesleyan U) *Masterbation Play and Language Games*

Report of Board decisions from Thursday evening:

Dr. Buckner turned the podium over to Dr. Alice Kehoe, who described the special testimonial award that the board had approved for presentation to Dr. Ray Bucko for his service as webmaster. She noted that the award will be mailed to Dr. Bucko, along with a letter of appreciation, and a card signed by board members.

Dr. Kehoe then surprised Dr. Buckner with a special testimonial award, approved by the board, for outstanding service to the association in special recognition of having stepped in and repeated one extra term as first vice president and program chair, and one extra term as president when the individual occupying those roles was unable to complete his term. Dr. Ottenheimer presented chocolates and flowers to go with the award.

Report of Board decisions from December:

Dr. Buckner reported that the board, at its December 2011 meeting, had created a committee, composed of the Immediate Past President and two board members, to oversee the allocation of travel funds to board officers.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT -- Harriet Ottenheimer

M/S/P (Kardulias/Molla) to waive the reading of the minutes of the April 2011 business meeting. Those minutes stand approved.

M/S/P (C. Jacobs)/Guinee) to accept the treasurer's report: at the end of 2011 CSAS had \$39,198.64 in its general fund (vs \$32,477.33 at end of 2010); the White award fund had 18,978.97 (vs \$18,535.33 at end of 2010); the Dillingham award fund had 18,466.59 (vs \$17,977.63 at end of 2010) (goal \$20,000). Membership was 215 (vs 226 at end of 2010 and 208 at end of 2009). She noted that some years ago the board had elected to limit the award amounts to \$500 until the fund totals reached \$20,000; once that amount is reached we should be able to

increase the amounts awarded each year. Ottenheimer reminded people to browse the book exhibit and to submit order forms for books that interest them.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Nick Kardulias

Dr. Kardulias reported that there had been ten organized sessions, eighteen volunteered sessions, and one film. Dr. Buckner extended thanks to Dr. Kardulias for organizing the program.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Bill Guinee

Dr. Guinee announced that the 2013 meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in St. Louis, MO, April 4-6, 2013. The Crowne Plaza is a union hotel.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE – MaryCarol Hopkins and Lee McNair

Dr. Hopkins presented the slate for the 2012 election as follows:

2nd vp-elect: Willie McKether

Secretary/Treasurer: Harriet Ottenheimer

Nominations: Myrdene Anderson

Board (vote for 2): Andrea Abrams, Bill Beeman, Randy Davis, Brigittine French

The slate was accepted.

CSAS BULLETIN EDITORS' REPORT - Alice Kehoe and Amber Clifford-Napoleone

Dr. Kehoe reported that the Bulletin is online.

ARCHIVIST'S REPORT - Pamela Sandstrom

Dr. Sandstrom reported that the Bulletin will now be indexed by EBSCO from the 2007 issues onward. Prior issues are online through Wiley-Blackwell. She noted that she is preparing to deposit another ten years' worth of CSAS papers at the Smithsonian/National Anthropological Archives. There will be a small fee, which the board has approved, and a register to the CSAS archives will be on the NAA website.

WEBMASTER'S REPORT - Margaret Buckner

Dr. Buckner reported that she has taken over from Dr. Bucko as webmaster as of the Fall semester 2011. The site has been moved from Creighton University to the AAA. It is a basic WordPress operation. She issued a call for a new webmaster and noted that until one steps forward people can send materials to her for posting.

LIST MANAGER'S REPORT - Harriet Ottenheimer

Dr. Ottenheimer reported that she has taken over from Dr. Buck as listserv manager as of the Fall semester 2011. The listserv has been moved from Creighton University to the AAA and it is now possible for people to subscribe and unsubscribe on their own. The address for both functions is https://my.binhost.com/lists/listinfo/Aaasec_csas and the process is fairly straightforward.

SECTION ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT - Rick Feinberg

Dr. Feinberg noted that having a Section Assembly representative position that is separate from the position of President gives us both continuity and a strong voice in AAA. The position is for

three years, while we change presidents each year. If anyone has concerns or issues that they feel should be addressed by the sections they should let Dr. Feinberg know. Two issues that the Section Assembly has been considering, and which came from CSAS, are one-day registrations at AAA meetings for non anthropologists (accepted by the SA and now being passed to the Executive Board for consideration) and the problem of TV shows glorifying pothunters. This has also been brought forward by the Council on Museum Anthropology. The SA agreed to write letters and asked the Executive Board to also write letters. The AAA President has also written a letter addressing this concern.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT - Audrey Ricke

Ms. Ricke noted that she is stepping down as Student Representative to the board and issued a call for a new student representative (or two). She noted some of the panels she has organized for CSAS meetings, including this year's panel on innovative methods in teaching anthropology. She has been asked to prepare a report to AAA on how CSAS mentors students and would appreciate any input that anyone has.

Dr. Buckner thanked Ms. Ricke for her outstanding service and repeated the call for interested students who would like to serve as student representative to the board of directors.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

M/S/P (M. Ottenheimer/A. Kehoe) to pay for introductory student memberships in CSAS for any student who is a member of AAA.

M/S/P (McNair/Gillogly) to transfer enough money from the general funds to the White and Dillingham award funds to endow each fund at \$20,000, providing AAA allows such transfer.

NECROLOGY – moment of silence

There was a moment of silence in recognition of the passing of Justine Cordwell (June 2011), Helen Tanner (June 2011), Sam Stanley (November 2011), Mike Davis (March 2012), Robert L. Hall (March 2012), and Neil Whitehead (March 22, 2012). Brief obituaries for the first six had been placed on the tables and are appended to the minutes.

CHANGE OF PRESIDENCY

Dr. Buckner handed the gavel to Dr. Kardulias

MEETING THANK YOUS – Nick Kardulias

President Kardulias extended thanks to Willie McKether, 2012 Local Arrangements Chair for the conference and to the University of Toledo, in particular the President of the University and the Chair of the Anthropology Department, for their hosting and sponsorship of the conference; He thanked Tom Hall, the 2012 Distinguished Speaker at the conference and Clifford Murphy and Clude Black, musicians at the Thursday night reception. He thanked the Park Inn Hotel and staff, in particular Mike Delaney and Billy Peterson, for their assistance during the conference. He also thanked the student volunteers who assisted with registration at the conference and Dana Springer and Stephanie Bosch of the College of Wooster for their assistance. Thanks were also extended to Margie Buckner, outgoing President of CSAS and Harriet Ottenheimer, Secretary/Treasurer of CSAS for all of their work on the conference.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Kardulias

President Kardulias announced that the 2012 Student Paper Competition is accepting submissions; the deadline is April 16 and papers should be sent to Jim Stanlaw.

Dr. Kardulias announced that the 2012 White & Dillingham awards are accepting applications; the deadline is April 9 and applications should be sent to Margie Buckner

Dr. Kardulias reminded people that the 2013 conference will be held in St. Louis, MO, April 4-4, 2013.

MOVE TO ADJOURN

M/S/P (M. Ottenheimer/Molla) to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM

CSAS

2011-2012

Dr. Justine Cordwell



It is with great sadness that we announce that Justine Cordwell passed away on June 27, 2011. Justine was 91 years old. An early student of Melville J. Herskovits at Northwestern, Justine graduated with a PhD in Anthropology in 1952.

Her works include, *Fabrics of Culture: Anthropology of Clothing and Adornment* (with Ronald A Schwarz) and *The Visual Arts: Plastic and Graphic*. In 2008, she curated the *Focus on Africa: Celebrating 60 Years at Northwestern* at the Dittmar Gallery for the Program of African Studies 60th anniversary. In 1998, she assisted curators Jane Guyer and Deborah Mack with an exhibit at the Block Museum, part of the Program of African Studies 50th anniversary, entitled *Living traditions in Africa and the Americas*. She has also curated numerous exhibits, most recently with May Weber on a textile

exhibit at the Loyola University Museum of Art. Justine was also owner, with her husband, of the Red Lion Pub in Lincoln Park, Chicago. PAS' twice yearly Red Lion Lecture, in partnership with the African Studies Workshop at the University of Chicago, was named after the pub and took place there for many years.

Just last year, Justine published "[Melville Herskovits and the Visual Arts](#)" for the Program of African Studies working papers series. She had also been working with the Northwestern University Archives to digitize her vast photograph collection from her early fieldwork, and was also helping PAS to place works of art donated by May Weber.

A long-time leader in CSAS, she developed the official CSAS logo and jewelry, based on a mica hand found at Hopewell Mounds. She was awarded a certificate of recognition for meritorious service at the Spring 2009 annual CSAS conference.

She is survived by her two sons and their families.

A more complete obituary published in the Chicago Sun-Times, 7 July 2011, can be found at: <http://www.suntimes.com/news/obituaries/6378908-418/african-studies-scholar-justine-cordwell-91-helped-run-old-red-lion-pub.html>.

Dr. Michael Davis



Dr. Michael Gary Davis, Professor of Anthropology at Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri died Saturday, March 10 at the age of 69.

Dr. Davis, the son of the late Herbert and Margaret Davis was born in Ponca City, Oklahoma in 1942. After residing in Corpus Christi, Texas and Chicago, Illinois, he graduated from high school in New Orleans, Louisiana and enlisted in the U. S. Air Force. While stationed in Turkey, he discovered his love of learning, language and culture. Dr. Davis then received his bachelor's degree in German and his master's and doctorate degrees in anthropology, all from the University of Oklahoma where he met his wife Gloria during his studies. He began his career at Truman State University in 1974. His research focused on cultural and linguistic anthropology of Native North America, the cultural anthropology of the martial arts, paleotechnology, Tai Chi Chuan, and Central Asian studies. He published a book entitled "Ecology, Sociopolitical Organization, and Cultural Change on the Southern Plains" and wrote articles on the Apache Tribe of Oklahoma, Native North American Archery, and Tai Chi Chuan. He was also co-editor of The Asian Journal of Martial Arts.

Mike was a longtime member of CSAS, running for office on several occasions. He also organized and ran scholarly sessions on martial arts sessions at CSAS, making CSAS the home for academic studies of martial arts for many years.

Dr. Davis is survived by his beloved and devoted wife of 45 years, Gloria Sanders Davis, originally of Ponca City, Oklahoma, daughter of the late Glen and Mary Sanders. His son Gordon Davis of Columbia, Missouri, his daughter Julia Davis of St. Louis, Missouri, his sisters Margo Davis and Sally Davis and her husband Robert Cuyler of Houston, Texas, as well as nieces, nephews and extended family also survive him. He was preceded in death by his infant daughter Lara.

Dr. Davis enjoyed his studies, teaching, taking walks in the woods, practicing Tai Chi Chuan, flint knapping, hunting, fishing, and spending time with his family, friends, and dogs.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

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Dr. Samuel L. Stanley

Samuel L Stanley, 88, died November 26, 2011, in his birthplace of Seattle. After high school, he served two tours of military duty in the Pacific. Sam entered the University of Washington where he completed a BA in philosophy (1951) and MA in anthropology (1954). His thesis, supervised by Paul Kirchhoff and, later, Bill Elmendorf, was a comparative ethnological analysis of three Pueblo ceremonial games. Sam and his wife moved to Chicago for doctoral work. Here, his work was influenced by Fred Eggan, Sol Tax and Robert Redfield. His dissertation, "An Analysis of Historical Changes in Tlingit Social Structure" (1958), developed from a paper he wrote for Kim Romney. Based on previous work by John Swanton and other investigators, the dissertation involved only six weeks of direct fieldwork. Not only were changes in kinship terms clearly delineated, but the socioeconomic and ideological factors accompanying these shifts were also considered.

Sam taught for a year at the University of Illinois (1957–58) and then was awarded a two-year Ford Foundation fellowship for research in Indonesia. He served as a consultant to the Indonesian Ministry of Education and conducted fieldwork in a fruit-growing community outside Djakarta.

Returning to the US, Sam taught anthropology at California State College at Los Angeles (1960–66). During this period he conducted demographic studies of Alaskan native villages, the northern Plains, and local Native American populations in Los

Angeles. Ultimately these studies were incorporated into Sol Tax's continent-wide demographic map produced in collaboration with fellow student and lifetime friend Robert Thomas. This milestone work located both recognized and unrecognized Native American groups residing in the remote countryside and in urban pockets.

In 1970 Sam accepted Tax's invitation to help administer the Smithsonian's new Center for the Study of Man. There he helped launch the *Handbook of North American Indians*; edited a major volume on Native American economic development (1978); and contributed to establishing the Smithsonian Folklife Festival. Sam spent much time cultivating his wide network of Indian friends. In particular, he became closely associated with Vine Deloria, Jr and maintained ties with Bob Thomas. He served as secretary of the Native American Ecumenical Movement, a group of traditionalists that Thomas convened in Canada to exchange spiritual knowledge. While at the Smithsonian, Sam mentored such promising younger scholars as Ray De Mallie, Karen Blu and Jim Boon. Ultimately Sam tired of life within the "Beltway" and retired to Seattle.

Back home, Sam helped his brother reorganize an Alaskan steamship company. He continued his professional life as an anthropologist: he was a visiting professor at Iowa's Cornell College, maintained close involvement in Indian affairs, and regularly attended AAA and CSAS meetings. Indeed, no late-night Reed College party was complete without Sam's raucous rendition of Roy Acuff's "Wreck on the Highway" resounding through the hotel corridors.

Sam Stanley's vital presence in helping to advance Native American studies will be missed. He is survived by Janet, his wife of 59 years, and their children: Ann Thomas, Sarah Rogerson, Samuel Stanley, Jr (current Stony Brook University President), and nine grandchildren. (*Raymond D Fogelson (with assistance from Robert Brightman, Susan Tax Freeman, Jay Miller and Sarah Stanley Rogerson)*). Retrieved from: *AN In Memoriam, March 2012..*

Dr Helen Tanner

Helen Hornbeck Tanner, died Saturday, June 18, 2011 at the age of 94 in Beulah, Michigan. A distinguished scholar of American Indian history and literature, Tanner published books on the Caddo and the Ojibwa as well as on early eighteenth-century Spanish Florida. Her crowning scholarly achievement in print was the *Atlas of Great Lakes Indian History* (1986), a Newberry Library project, funded generously by the NEH, that began in 1976 and involved many Newberry people. She was intimately involved with the Newberry Library for decades as a researcher and an active member of the Fellows Seminar and the Chicago Map Society. She remained a Senior Research Fellow there for many years. Helen also served the Newberry in an administrative capacity, as Interim Director of the McNickle Center in 1984-85.

Helen remained active until recently as a speaker on American Indian topics and a frequent expert witness in litigation involving tribes in several parts of the United States. Across the years, she mentored lawyers, historians, anthropologists, and other scholars near and far. She was always eager to offer her support, ideas, and sage

advice, and to support the development of her academic colleagues. Her commitment to help younger scholars, and to support the institutions she cared about, was profoundly constructive.

Helen graduated with distinction from Swarthmore College in 1937 and went on to complete a Master's degree at the University of Florida (1948) and a Ph.D. at the University of Michigan (1961). She taught at Michigan for several years but she was always proudest of her academic affiliation with the Newberry Library. For Helen scholarship was not limited to academia but was also in service of the communities with whom she worked. Her service on behalf of various tribes in over 16 Claim Commissions cases is ample illustration of that commitment. Helen will also be remembered by generations of Native women scholars to whom she was especially supportive throughout her long career. Her landmark Atlas of Great Lakes Indian History remains a standard in the field.

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