



# 2012 FALL NEWSLETTER

**Next CCA Board Meeting: September 26, 2012, Montrose.**

Call CCA at our new dedicated phone (970) 628-5151 or email us at [coloradocoroners@gmail.com](mailto:coloradocoroners@gmail.com), anytime with your suggestions or comments.

*Be sure to check our website Colorado Coroners Association ([www.coloradocoroners.org](http://www.coloradocoroners.org)) for upcoming training and other great information*

and registration forms are on the CCA website. This conference will be full of great case presentations and case studies, from viewpoints of law enforcement, pathology, Coroners, and death investigators. We all like photos..... and this conference will be full of them!

The Board has voted that due to the economy and everyone's busy schedules, starting in 2013, we will only have two conferences per year: **Summer** and **Winter**. Both will be 2 ½ days and will offer approximately 20 hours of continuing education credits each. Therefore, our September 2012 conference will be **the last CCA conference until Summer 2013**. So come if you can! It will be educational and fun!

## Education Committee

*The CCA 2012 Fall Outreach conference Studies and Perspectives in Death Investigation will be held on September 27 – 28 in Montrose at the Holiday Inn Express 1391 S. Townsend Avenue Montrose, CO 81401 Tel: 970-240-1800 Fax: 970-240-9093*

Our **2013 Annual Summer Conference** will be held in **Colorado Springs at the Embassy Suites on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013**. Mark your calendars early!

Please contact me if you have ideas or requests for the Summer conference.

Thank you,

Dianne Fairman  
CCA Education Coordinator  
Larimer County Medical Examiner's Office  
495 N. Denver Ave.  
Loveland, CO 80537  
970-679-4517  
970-567-7402 (cell)  
[dfairman@larimer.org](mailto:dfairman@larimer.org)

Hotel rooms are available at a discounted rate for CCA registrants for \$95, single or double occupancy. However, they are going quickly and it is hunting season, so rooms are at a demand during that time. Book early and use the code: CCA. Specific hotel information, the Conference agenda,



# 2012 FALL NEWSLETTER

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

The June 2012 Conference was well attended and very productive. I want to thank everyone who made it a success.

Statewide Investigative Guidelines were discussed and a ballot vote by the membership was done. The results were 33 Yes/4 No. If you did not receive a thumb drive with all of the forms, please contact Dianne Fairman, Chief Deputy Coroner, Larimer County Coroner Office, email [dfairman@larimer.org](mailto:dfairman@larimer.org).

### **Patrick Allen, MD, President**

Larimer County Coroner  
[allenpc@co.larimer.co.us](mailto:allenpc@co.larimer.co.us)  
(970) 679-4517  
(970) 679-4510 fax

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **Education Committee**

Patrick Allen, MD, Chairman, Dianne Fairman, Coordinator. The Education Committee duties are to develop programs for the Outreach Seminar, June Conference and any other education programs offered by CCA.

### **Ethics Committee**

Ethics Committee membership is comprised of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Past President).

### **Legislation Committee**

The Legislation Committee duties are to monitor legislation during the legislative session, develop legislation when needed, seek Coroner opinion on legislation, work with the CCA lobbyist on legislative strategy, and organize testimony on legislation when needed.

Patrick Allen, MD, Larimer County, Chair  
Bob Bux, MD, El Paso County  
Brenda Bock, Grand County  
Darrel Brenner, Washington County  
Zane Laubham, Gilpin County  
Lora Thomas, Douglas County

### **Coroner Assist Team**

The Coroner Assist Team coordinates requests for assistance and referrals from any Colorado County Coroner. The team maintains a list of available equipment, qualified personnel, and forensic specialists. The Coroner Assist Team is Chaired by Darrel Brenner, Washington County.

**NEED:** a Western Slope Coroner Office to help with this Committee, if interested contact Darrel Brenner, Washington County, at 970-345-0367 or [DarrelBrenner@mac.com](mailto:DarrelBrenner@mac.com)

### **Finance Committee**

We have hired the CPA firm of Hanna, Holdredge & Associates to perform necessary duties associated with tax returns, etc.

**Mike Graeff, Treasurer, Elbert County**



# 2012 FALL NEWSLETTER

## Certification Committee

As many of you know, the rules for Coroners have changed. Per statute, Coroners need to submit documentation of 16 hours of continuing education to the CCST Board every year. Deputies only re-certify with CCA once during a four year election period. We are trying to get everyone on the same cycle. We currently have 114 Certified Death Investigators.

At the June Conference General Meeting on June 6, 2012 the membership voted to change the requirement for 5 forensic autopsies to 3 forensic autopsies and 2 non-forensic autopsies. The certification forms will be updated to reflect this change.

### **Brenda Bock, Coroner**

Grand County

PO Box 828, Kremmling, CO 80459

970-724-0083 Office 970-724-0085 Fax

[BBock@rkymtnhi.com](mailto:BBock@rkymtnhi.com)

## Outside Committee and CCA Representatives to other Committees

- Outside Committee coordinates representatives to: Donor Alliance, Child Fatality Review, GEERC, SEMTAC, and any other council that asks for or requires a CCA representative. Co-Chaired by George Crockett, Jackson County and Stephen Lance, Ouray County.
- State EMS Committee (SEMTAC) and State All Hazards Committee (SAHAC), Zane Laubhan, Gilpin County.

- Governors Emergency Response Committee (GEERC), Mike Doberson, MD, Arapahoe County.
- State Child Fatality Committee
- Legislative Salary Committee, Bob Fowler, Otero County.
- ESF8 Steering Committee, Zane Laubhan, Gilpin County.

## Ike Miller and Scholarship Committee

The Ike Miller Committee is responsible for managing the award process for the annual special scholarship award created by Dr. Ben Galloway, and any other awards that the Board of Directors deems appropriate. George Crockett, Chair, Stephen Lance, Ouray County, Art Nordyke, Custer County and Darrel Brenner, Washington County and Randy Gorton, Kit Carson County.

## Coroner Standards and Training Board (CCSTB)

Thomas Canfield, MD, Montrose County Coroner and Amy Martin, MD, Denver County Coroner have been appointed to the CCSTB. Joanne Richardson of Summit County has resigned from CCSTB.

## Marketing

We have many new items in the “store” that possibly small counties don’t have. Give us a call at (303) 646-5599

## **Mike and Sandy Graeff, Elbert County**



# ***2012 FALL NEWSLETTER***

## **Website**

The website is ever changing. Please check it out often as information is updated and added periodically. If you have items to add, contact Brenda Bock, Grand County, Chair or Debbie Reisdorff, Larimer County.

## **Brenda Bock, Grand County**

## **CCA Board Members:**

Patrick Allen, Larimer County, President  
Darrel Brenner, Washington County, Vice President  
Brenda Bock, Grand County, Past President and Secretary  
Mike Graeff, Elbert County, Treasurer  
Sandy Graeff, Elbert County  
George Crocket, Jackson County  
Arthur Nordyke, Custer County  
Lora Thomas, Douglas County  
Stephen Lance, Ouray County  
Thomas Canfield, MD, Montrose County  
John Graham, Jefferson County  
Randy Gorton, Kit Carson County