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President's Message
Michael Peck, PRP

First and foremost, I want to remind all state and unit presidents that time for submitting for awards is here. I am embarrassed to tell you that in the last Biennium no award applications were submitted from District 8, so no awards were presented in District 8. Please submit in all the award categories as the awards are given by district so you are only competing within District 8. So, don't think you aren't eligible to receive an award. Please submit no matter what number you may have achieved in the various categories. We want to recognize your achievements in District 8.

Secondly, and just as importantly, please sign up for the District 8 conference. It will be hosted by Hawaii, and they are premiering the talent within the district for workshop instructors. You will find more information and registration information in this newsletter and in the call for the District 8 meeting. It will be a zoom meeting. You won't have any physical challenges attending the conference. There will be several workshops in parliamentary procedure for new members, intermediate level members and advanced training for those of you like me that have been around for a while. Also, and more importantly the business meeting for the district conference will have the election for the new District director. And no, yours truly is not running for re-election. In fact, your present district director is term limited and cannot run again. Check with your state President if you have an interest in being a candidate.

This biennium we have added new members in Malaysia, and China and still have other international members who will be in attendance. If you attend the District 8 conference, you may have an opportunity to meet international members from District 8. NAP is growing and this is a special opportunity to meet people from other countries who have an interest in parliamentary law and parliamentary procedure.

Also, we have an upcoming NAP Convention in person in Atlanta, Georgia. This is an opportunity for all parliamentarians with every level of experience to grow in their parliamentary knowledge. Think about the opportunities that will be available at a national convention. Meet new members who have just joined and are attending their first

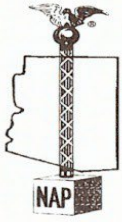
convention. As well as meeting members with 40 years or more of experience in parliamentary experience. I remember my first convention so many years ago, I would rather not say how many. Your director has attended more than 10 conventions as well as more than 10 national training conferences. The convention has a series of business meetings to conduct the business of NAP. If you want to see the process of amending bylaws this is your opportunity. Plus, the workshops are stellar. The best and the brightest in NAP will be presenting the workshops at every experience level.

Wouldn't you like to know that you helped guide your association into the future? Now is the time to find the registration in the National Parliamentarian or visit the NAP website and complete the registration today. Make your plane reservations early. You know that the earlier you make your airfare registration the more economical it will be. Also, look for others in your state or unit and plan to attend together to make it even more interesting for you. Especially, if it will be your first convention. And be sure to introduce yourself to your district director and to as many other members from NAP as you are able.

Many of your states will be having their state conventions and conferences in the coming months, as well. What an opportunity to jump start your parliamentary career. Your district director is willing to help in any way he can to answer questions or to encourage you to attend these upcoming opportunities for your parliamentary training. Also, your state presidents will be reporting on what is happening in the various states and countries in District 8. Be sure to attend the quarterly meetings of District 8 that are still in the planning stages. You will have a chance to meet other members from your state and since they are Zoom meetings there is very little cost to you to attend. Find out about what opportunities are available in your state, and your national association in the future.

This will be one of my last opportunities to say thank you to all of you that have made our district so special. As mentioned earlier, your present district director is term limited and he cannot run for re-election. It has been an honor to serve District 8 as the District 8 Director. Maybe in my last issue we can review all the accomplishments in the district in the last two biennium.

See you at the national convention in Atlanta if the lord is willing and the creek don't rise. And this year that is important to all of us in district 8. THANK YOU!!!



Arizona State Association of Parliamentarians

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Joe Neglia, PRP - ASAP President

The Arizona State Association of Parliamentarians (“ASAP”) membership is slowly increasing, with 67 members, including nine PRP’s, four PRP-R’s, and eight RP’s, running six Units.

ASAP has delivered multiple workshops over the past 12 months, including one to a large political organization, and one to the general public.

We continue to receive requests for additional workshops, and some of our members continue to be deluged with requests to serve as parliamentarians, most often from highly contentious political groups.





The Arizona State Association of Parliamentarians welcomes you!

Find a local unit in your area and begin your study of Robert’s Rules of Order. On-line and in-person meetings are available. No prior experience required!

Join us!

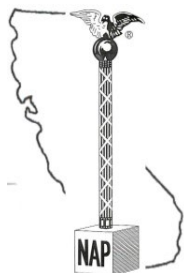


Unit Name	Meets on ...	At ...	Location	Season
Alpha	1 st Monday	6:30 pm	Tempe Pyle Center 655 E. Southern Ave. Tempe, AZ 85282	Oct - May
Agua Fria	2 nd Wednesday	6:30 pm	Zoom – see website below for info	Sep - May
Bradshaw Mountain	2 nd Saturday		Prescott – see below for info	Sep – May (not Dec)
Valle Del Sol	3 rd Tuesday	10:00 am	Beattitudes Campus, East Board Room, 1616 West Glendale Ave, Phoenix, AZ	Sep - May
Old Pueblo	4 th Tuesday	5:30 pm	Tucson City Council Office, 3202 E 1st Street, Tucson, AZ 85716	
PRP Unit	4 th Wednesday	6:30 pm	Zoom – see website below for info	Sep - May

Meeting dates, times, and locations are subject to change without notice, so be sure to check our website first:
www.az-parliamentarians.org

2023-02-11 Joe Neglia, PRP

In addition to advocating for RONR and educating numerous members from multiple organizations, these workshops provide an excellent recruiting opportunity for us. We now have a one-page color flyer that we can distribute at future workshops that will help in this regard.



Empowering the People!
California State Association of Parliamentarians (CSAP)
CSAP President's Report -- Gail E. Lover PRP

Well, the Golden State is still Golden.
thanks to the membership of the State, its Officers and
Members!



What's happening in the Golden State? Glad you asked!

- The web site is being renovated, thanks to our new Web Master, Vicki Walter, and her posse. Congratulations to our new Education Chair, Jennifer Jones and our new Treasurer, Maria Trujillo Tough (Yes, she's back!)

- We had a successful Zoom Hall meeting on March 17, 2023, at noon and at 7:00 pm.

What is Zoom Hall? It is an open forum for the members of the State to discuss any and anything of their desire, free of an agenda, time limits and all those RONR restrictions, except courtesy. The meeting is held quarterly for only an hour, twice on the same day to accommodate all.

- The CSAP Northern Area, under the direction of David Mezzera and Southern Area, under the direction of Gail E. Lover, continue their quarterly meetings, sharing educational time together on separate dates.
- On April 1, 2023, we wished a **100th Birthday** to one of our outstanding members, Sandy Revella, of San Diego East County.
- Along with the good news comes sad news for our State!
- Our longstanding member, Priscilla Bramellete, of San Diego East County passed away.
- Our Past State President Jaqueline Marazzi's husband passed away.
- Longtime support and member of the Golden State, Robert "Bob" Hall, husband to TennieBee Hall passed.

We will miss them all!

- A special thanks to all the current Unit and State Officers! The Areas and Units are doing an excellent job with conducting educational meetings and growing their Units.
- Looking forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting, August 12, 2023, via Zoom®

The Meeting will be ONE day only, and the registration fee is ONLY \$40.00.

Bring a friend or two or three!

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Gail E. Lover PRP



Hawai'i State Association of Parliamentarians (HSAP)

Circle the dates in your calendar

June 17-18, 2023

Here is the good news.

The District Eight Conference will be hosted by the
Hawaii State Association of Parliamentarians.

Now the somewhat bad news.

It will be held virtually.....stop your packing!

So Much Better News.

You have no excuse not to attend the District 8 Conference. It will be online.

The Hawaii State Association of Parliamentarians is preparing a great conference with exceptional speakers and entertaining activities. The Association will provide us with the unique traditions that only Hawaii can offer.

Watch for further information will be found soon on the NAP website.

China Association of Parliamentarians
Wanchun Sun, RP

Quarterly report

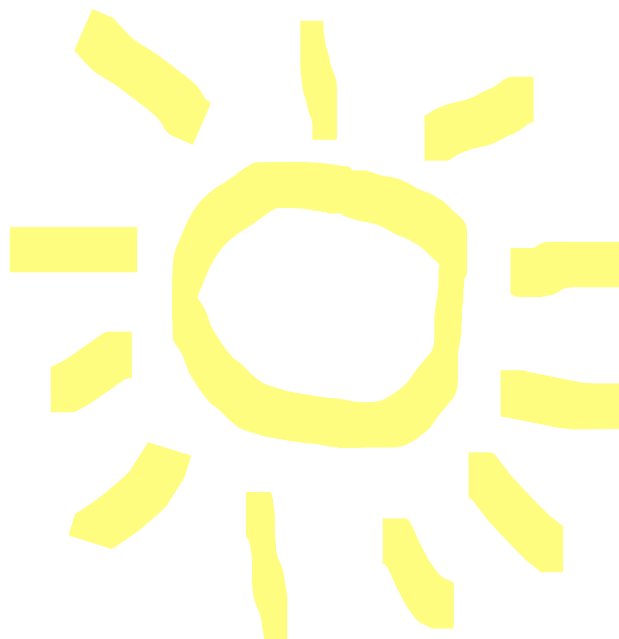
In the first quarter, CAP started its work after the Chinese Spring Festival. The main contents are as follows:

1. With the help of teacher Kirby Glad, CAP organized a group of enthusiasts with a certain level of English proficiency to conduct a full English training through the internet. The training lasted for more than two months, and more than ten people participated in the learning. The course has ended, and five students have expressed their intention to take the NAP membership exam.
2. Two personal sharing and book club activities were organized, featuring the historical epistemology work "Historical Knowledge and Historical Fallacies" by American historian Alan Megill and the representative work "Making Democracy Work" by American political scientist Robert Putnam.
3. Some CAP members continued to apply and promote parliamentary rules, involving community governance, industry association autonomy, children's council, and other areas.
4. The Bylaws Committee proposed a bylaw amendment based on member suggestions, changing the term of the chairman from two years to one year. The amendment hopes to provide more exercise opportunities for more members and to put more ideas into practice more quickly. The vote will be conducted at the June general meeting.

In addition, due to the complete opening of epidemic control, many industries have begun to recover, and member work is generally busy. The new member training and intermediate class training originally planned for the first quarter have been postponed to the next quarter.

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Have a great summer.