

THE CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS

• Providing Programs and Services that Promote Excellence in the Education of All Children •

CAS Announces the 53rd Annual Meeting!

New Location • New Meeting Format • Plus a Keynote Speaker!



The Connecticut Association of Schools will hold its 53rd Annual Meeting on **Thursday, May 12, 2005** at **St. Clements Castle** in Portland, CT. Please mark the date on your calendars! We hope that you will join us to review the highlights of 2004-2005 and to help us chart a course for 2005-2006.

53rd ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, May 12, 2005

St. Clements Castle, Portland*

8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

As many of you are aware, attendance at the annual meeting has steadily declined in recent years. In an attempt to reverse this trend, we have made several changes to our program this year. First, we have moved the meeting off-site. This year's event will be held at the picturesque Saint Clements Castle on the scenic Connecticut River in Portland. Secondly, in lieu of an afternoon meeting followed by an awards dinner, we will conduct all of our business within the confines of the school day. Thirdly, we have added a professional development component - that is, we will have a keynote speaker to "kick off" the meeting. Duane Cashin, founder and president of a successful local manufacturing company, will give a short, inspirational speech prior to the beginning of business. Duane knows firsthand about how to embrace change, face adversity and meet the daily pressures of life head-on! And, finally, we have scaled back both the business meeting and the awards ceremony in the hopes of shortening the overall length of the program. We hope that the changes we are implementing this year -- which are in keeping with the suggestions made by all of you in our recent annual meeting survey -- will result in a more engaging program, and one which will be easier to fit into your already very busy schedules.

* *NOTE: New location! For directions to Saint Clements Castle, please visit <http://www.saintclementscastle.com/>*

The Association has had a very active and successful year. The CAS board has made significant progress in its long-term goals to expand its program offerings to student leaders, to provide member schools with assistance in preparing for the NEAS&C accreditation process, to use technology to improve communication with member schools, and to establish an alternative certification program for school administrators. The middle level division is completing work on a new initiative to recognize schools with excellent "school climate." This exemplary practice initiative will complement the successful "teaming" program put in place last year. The elementary division's ambitious outreach efforts have resulted in a proliferation of site-based and regional professional development programs as well as a dramatic swell in member school participation in elementary school activities.

The CIAC has had a relatively busy year, enacting several bylaw changes – affecting the out-of-season and cooperative team regulations – which will be submitted to the legislative body for a vote.

There are a number of important issues — affecting both CAS and CIAC members — which will come before you at the May meeting. Their resolution is very important to the future of CAS, to your school, and to you as its administrator. Your input is essential, and, therefore, your presence and contribution as the educational leader of your school are also essential.

Register online at <http://www.casciac.org/register>

*Thanks to the generosity of **Lifetouch**, our meeting sponsor, the registration fee has been reduced by \$20 per participant.*

Registration Fee: \$55 ~~\$35~~

Additional information — including the proposed revisions to the CAS Constitution and CIAC By-Laws — will be mailed shortly.

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RESERVATION FORM

The 53rd Annual Meeting

May 12, 2005

NOTE: On-line registration is available at: <http://www.casciac.org/register>

Name: _____

Title: _____

School/Organization: _____

Address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Choice of Meal:

Grilled Petite Filet Mignon with Bearnaise Sauce

Chicken with Shitake Mushrooms and a Thyme-Infused Red Wine Demi Glaze AND Pan Seared Salmon with a Basil Beurre Blanc

Name: _____

Title: _____

School/Organization: _____

Address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Choice of Meal:

Grilled Petite Filet Mignon with Bearnaise Sauce

Chicken with Shitake Mushrooms and a Thyme-Infused Red Wine Demi Glaze AND Pan Seared Salmon with a Basil Beurre Blanc

Cost: ~~\$55~~ **\$35** per reservation (*includes continental breakfast, 3-course lunch and conference materials*)

Payment: Please check one of the following -

Check enclosed (make check payable to: CAS)

PO # _____

Visa

Master Card

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

Mail reservation form to: Karen Packtor, CT Association of Schools, 30 Realty Drive, Cheshire, CT 06410

Please return this form no later than Monday, May 2, 2005*

** in case of cancellation, no refunds will be issued after April 23, 2005*



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The Fifty-Third Annual Meeting

May 12, 2005

Saint Clements Castle, Portland



PROGRAM

- 8:30 — 8:55 a.m.** Registration
- 9:00 — 9:40** **Keynote Speaker:**
Duane Cashin: Duane Cashin's unique mixture of motivation and humor allows audiences to identify with the challenges of change in a positive proactive fashion. Duane Cashin presents positive ways to embrace change, envision the possibilities and launch into success.
- 9:45 — 11:25 (estimated)** **Annual Meeting of CAS & CSC**
(see agendas to right)
- 11:30 — 12:00** **Individual Membership Meetings –**
CIAC / Middle Level / Elementary
- 12:00 — 12:45** Social Time
- 12:45 — 2:30** Lunch and Awards Presentations

Many thanks to our meeting sponsor, Lifetouch.



AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

- ★ Life Memberships ★
- ★ Letters of Commendation ★
- ★ CAS Citations ★

CAS ANNUAL MEETING

Agenda

- I. Call of the Meeting:**
*Donald W. Gates, President
Principal, Portland High School*
- II. Treasurer's Report:**
*Janet Garagliano, Secretary-Treasurer,
Principal, Wamogo Regional High School*
- III. President's Report:**
Donald Gates
- IV. Executive Director's Report:**
Michael H. Savage
- V. Review of 2004-2005 Highlights**
- VI. New Business**
 - Proposed Changes to the CAS Constitution: *D. Gates*
 - Report of the Nominating Committee: *Dr. Jerome Auclair*
 - Presentation of Proposed Budget, 2005-2006: *J. Garagliano*

Adjournment

CSC ANNUAL MEETING

Agenda

- I. Call to Order:**
Donald Gates, CSC President
- II. Report of the Nominating Committee:**
Robert Pitocco, Chair, CSC Nominating Committee
- III. Designation of CSC Board Representative:**
Donald Gates
- IV. Budget Report:**
Janet Garagliano, CSC Treasurer

Adjournment