March 18, 2020

Dear SAA Member,

The Board’s decision to cancel the 85th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology was necessary to protect the health and safety of SAA members and other meeting participants. Unfortunately, SAA will not be able to recover many of the costs involved in hosting the meeting even though it was cancelled. Recognizing the tremendous financial impact the cancellation will have on SAA, all the following current and incoming members of the Board of Directors and past presidents of SAA have agreed to donate their 2020 annual meeting registration fees, or a like amount, to the Society.

We all value the professional support that SAA provides us through meetings, journals, seminars, and outreach to Congress. We are donating our meeting registration fees, and we are asking all our colleagues who are financially able to do so to join us in doing the same. If you are willing and able to make a charitable contribution to the Society, rather than requesting a refund of your 2020 Annual Meeting registration, please email Jonathon Koudelka (jonathon_koudelka@saa.org) as soon as possible to request that your registration fee be converted to an unrestricted contribution. Remember to specify whether or not you also want to include in your contribution any guest registrations, excursions, or workshops you might have paid for.

Thank you,

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