In February, 1983 a final RFP was sent to 40 prospective bidders with a request that their proposals be returned prior to the Spring SAA meeting. Bidders were asked to respond to requirements relating to legal services, accountancy, computers, fidelity bonds and office space, as well as membership administration, financial administration, publications production, annual meetings, transition from AAA management, and several miscellaneous items.

Eighteen proposals were received and considered by the Executive Committee at the April, 1983 Annual Meeting. Evaluation criteria were established. These included (points in parentheses): apparent performance capability (30); contract terms (20); cost (20); transition services (10); extra services proposed (10); conflict of interest/ethics (5); location (5). The Executive Committee divided into three groups to evaluate the proposals against evaluation criteria. The Committee then met as a single group to decide on finalists. Six were chosen.

Also at the April, 1983 Annual Meeting, a special plenary business meeting was held to discuss with the membership the implications of the IRS ruling on SAA-AAA relations and the options open to the Society. Responses to the RFP made it clear that there were a number of firms that could conduct SAA business at a cost no greater than that charged by the AAA. It was also very clear that the membership was overwhelmingly opposed to dissolving the SAA, which would have been necessary under the proposed AAA reorganization plan. After thorough discussion at the plenary business meeting, a resolution was approved overwhelmingly at the regular annual business meeting authorizing the SAA Executive Committee to pursue the option of a management contract with a suitable firm.

The six finalists were then asked to submit "best and final" offers, together with lists of clients. Clients were interviewed by members of the Executive Committee using a prepared list of questions to provide comparability of information about each firm.

In early July, 1983 the Executive Committee met in Washington, D.C. to make the final selection. The field was narrowed to three firms, Bostrom Management Corp., Smith-Bucklin Associates, and Foresight, Inc. The facilities of the firms, all in Washington, D.C., were inspected and interviews conducted with members of the firms.

Based on the interviews, data and results of a close analysis of costs and an analysis of the proposals by a consultant, the three finalists were ranked, in the order listed above. To aid the Executive Committee in the evaluation of the proposals and to advise on contract negotiations, Mr. Hank Mullholland was retained as a consultant. Mr. Mullholland was for three years a Director of Operations for the AAA office and handled the SAA accounts. He has extensive experience in the management of professional societies and presently is the executive director of a professional society in the field of medicine. His advice and help were extremely useful.

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A negotiating/transition team was appointed (George Fowyer, Annetta Cheek, Dena Dincauze and Leslie Wildeson) and charged with entering into contract negotiations with Bostrom Management Corp., and "disengagement" negotiations with the AAA. The team was further authorized to hire an attorney specializing in contracts to review draft contracts to insure that SAA needs and interests are fully met and protected. The team was further authorized to explore whether the production and printing of American Antiquity might be better handled by a university or private press rather than through a management firm. Accordingly, bids were solicited and reviewed in detail by Dena Dincauze, Editor, Patty Jo Watson, Editor-elect, and the negotiating team.

The negotiation team met the first week in August, 1983 with representatives of Bostrom Management Corp. and with Edward Lehman, Executive Director of the AAA. It was agreed with Mr. Lehman that transfer of membership and financial records could be completed by September 30, 1983. Accordingly, it was agreed that the SAA will formally terminate its business relationship with the AAA by that date. A draft contract was developed between the SAA and Bostrom Management Corp. and approved in principle by the negotiating team subject to review by our attorney and final approval by the SAA President and Treasurer.

Bids from printing establishments were reviewed at length together with information on the desirability of using persons familiar with the operations. It was agreed that Allen Press of Lawrence, Kansas, a publisher of numerous scholarly journals including Science, was the top candidate. Accordingly, Dena Dincauze and Patty Jo Watson visited Allen Press and inspected their printing and production facilities. As of this writing (8/17/83), the Bostrom contract has been reviewed by our attorney, Bostrom and Fulton, and put into final form through negotiations between Mr. Fulton, Annetta Cheek, and Bostrom representatives. A letter of agreement between Allen Press and the SAA will be signed next week. Production of American Antiquity at Allen Press will begin with the January, 1984 issue. As of August 15, 1983, Bostrom Management Corp. has begun the tasks necessary to effect the transition of management functions from AAA to Bostrom.

Under the terms of our contract with Bostrom, Mr. Jerome A. (Jerry) Miller is the Executive Director of the Society for American Archaeology. He will be assisted as necessary by Ralph Johnson. Mr. Miller has over 20 years experience in the management of professional societies. He brings to the SAA the expertise crucial at a most critical time. We are confident that Mr. Miller will do an excellent job for the Society as we move into a new phase of organization and development.

Details of the services to be provided by Bostrom Management Corp. will be outlined in the next issue of the Bulletin. In the meantime, the Society for American Archaeology has a new address and telephone number: 1511 K Street, NW, Suite 716, Washington, D.C. 20005. (202) 638-6079.

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SOPA ANNUAL MEETING NOTES

J. Raymond Williams

The combined 1982-83 and 1983-84 Board of Directors of SOPA met on July 29 during the SAA meeting in Pittsburgh. Reports were given by both outgoing President David Brose and incoming President Charles R. McGimssey III. Brose discussed major issues still facing SOPA, among which is the costs of legal counsel related to maintaining professional standards and ethics. Brose said that the major portion of his time was spent talking to members about current grievance cases, but it is his feeling that the grievance procedure is working well. He also suggested that the Bylaws be changed so that the president would serve for 2 years. Brose felt that by the time a president began working toward solutions to problems, his/her term was up. A longer term would lend continuity to presidential activities.

Incoming President Bob McGimssey outlined a number of ideas and activities he hoped to accomplish during his term including communicating the accomplishments of SOPA, particularly in the area of grievance cases and the maintenance of standards of performance. McGimssey appointed several individuals to begin work toward the accomplishment of his other goals. They are Dena Dincauze and Mott Davis (revision of the Bylaws), Mark Lynott (budget review) and Hester Davis (master list membership in all archaeological societies) and Liz King (publicity brochure). McG also intends to put together a procedures manual for the Society, work with the National Research Council to set up a Committee on Archaeology to advise federal agencies, a work toward reviving the "affiliates" category of membership and solving the problem of re-accreditation.

Charles Cleland passed copies of the 1982-83 Grievance Coordinator's report. He noted a dramatic decrease in the number of complaints reported that the year saw the first case going completely through the grievance procedure. It was the general feeling of the board that, although costly in terms of money and time on the part of the Grievance Coordinator, President and SACF, it is an important aspect of the maintenance of the Standards of Performance and the Code of Ethics working and the SOPA was functioning well as its intended role of oversight.

Charles Cleland also intends to put together a "SOPA-at-large" category of membership to represent the interests of non-professionalism in the discipline.

In the meantime, Dena Dincauze and Mott Davis will be outlined in the next issue of the Bulletin. In the meantime, the Society for American Archaeology has a new address and telephone number: 1511 K Street, NW, Suite 716, Washington, D.C. 20005. (202) 638-6079.

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WASHINGTON REPORT

Philip Speser
SAA Washington Representative

At the last annual meeting, the SAA endorsed legislation to protect historic shipwrecks. Since then two bills, H.R. 3194 and S. 1504 have been introduced. The "Historic Shipwreck Preservation Act" states its purpose is: "to protect, for the present and future benefit of the American people, historical shipwrecks, structures, and artifacts on the seabed and in the subsoil of the lands beneath navigable waters within the boundaries of the respective States." Much of the credit for the introduction of these bills goes to Fred Wendorf.

The SAA is currently building support for this legislation. In addition to archaeologists, historic preservation groups and states are part of a coalition seeking passage of the bill. We are working with various federal agencies to seek Administration support. We also have been working with staff of Senators Bentsen (D, TX) and Tower (D, TX) and Congressmen Jones (D, NC) and Wright (D, TX), who are leading Congressional supporters of this legislation. Our next task will be to obtain cosponsors for these bills and you can help!

We urge you to help us enact this vital law by contacting your Representative and Senators and urging them to cosponsor H.R. 3194/S. 1504, the Historic Shipwreck Preservation Act.

The following fact sheet may be of use to you when you contact your legislators. We would appreciate receiving copies of articles relevant to this legislation along your comments on the fact sheet.

SUPPORT H.R. 3194/S. 1504---THE HISTORIC SHIPWRECK PRESERVATION ACT

INFORMATION SHEET

THE PROBLEM

Historic shipwrecks are a vital part of our country's cultural heritage and are irreplaceable sources of archaeological information. Yet the fact that wrecks fall under the jurisdiction of the U.S. maritime law of salvage denies these important historical resources any protection. Irresponsible actions by gold-hungry looters have already robbed us of vital parts of our heritage through indiscriminate use of explosives, massive blowers, and failure to utilize the most elementary techniques of scientific data recovery while excavating wrecks.

The treatment of wrecks should be no different than the treatment of archaeological sites on dry land. A ship "salvaged" by the gold-hungry looter leaves the site "sloppy" and "untidy" even as the site is physically destroyed. The site is no longer worth visiting as the residue of the ship and surrounding area has been destroyed. The ability of the site to provide us with insights into our history is destroyed as artifacts have been dislodged and dislocated, fragile artifacts destroyed, and the significance of items lost through failure to use proper methodology such as establishing a grid system and carefully recording the context in which artifacts are found. Appropriate techniques for lifting items to the surface and preserving them from damage due to exposure are not used.

THE SOLUTION

H.R. 3194/S. 1504 simply recognizes historic shipwrecks as the important part of our national heritage that they are and removes them from the jurisdiction of the U.S. maritime law of salvage. It provides that those on submerged lands will be protected by Federal laws while those on federal lands would be supervised by the Department of the Interior.

BENEFITS

H.R. 3194/S. 1504 will enable the states and the federal government to prevent wanton destruction of shipwrecks without restricting access to these sites by sport divers and responsible excavators. It will enable us to protect historic shipwrecks under the same state and federal laws which protect archaeological resources on dry land. In doing so, it would neither create a new federal bureaucracy nor require Federal expenditures for implementation.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOMINEES SOUGHT

Wendy Arundale, Chairperson of the SAA nominations committee has called for nominees for three SAA Executive Committee positions. The three vacancies which will be filled in the April 1984 election are:

Secretary-Elect (1 year term, succeeds to Secretary for 3 year term) 1985-1988,

Executive Committee, Place 1 (2 year term) 1984-1986,

Executive Committee, Place 2 (2 year term) 1984-1986.

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Committee. Suggested can­

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candidates to any of the

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The membership is urged to
suggest names of possible
candidates to any of the
members of the Nominating
Committee. Suggested can­
didates names must be
received no later than
November 1, 1983.

The Membership Committee
is composed of:

Chairperson Arundale
S. R. 10289.6
Fairbanks, AK 99701

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Knoxville, TN 37916

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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

NOMINATIONS SOLICITED

John Speth

The Distinguished Service Award
established by the Society for American Archae­
ology is presented annually
to a member for specific
accomplishments of extra­
ordinary quality. Recognition

can be granted in a wide range
areas relating to archaeo­
logy including, for example,
teaching (academic as well as
public education), research
(theory, method, application
of new technology, analysis,
etc.), and conservation of
archaeological data (cura­
torial, legal, managerial),
as long as two basic criteria
are met. First, the contribu­
tion must be truly extra­
ordinary in nature (not
expected in the normal course
of events) and must be widely
recognized as such, and
second, it must be of a
positive and lasting quality.

The Society is accepting
nominations from members for
the 1984 award which will be
presented at its Annual Meeting
in April, 1984, in Portland,
Oregon. Each recommendation
should be supported by a state­
ment documenting concisely
and thoroughly the achievements
of the nominee. Mail prior
to November 15, 1983, to Dr.

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COMMITTEE, MUSEUM OF

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SCIENTIFIC EVOLUTIONISM

SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULED

Gabriel DeCicco

On December 10, 1983, the
Seton Hall University Museum
will hold a symposium on:
"The Search for Humanity's
Roots". Sponsored by a grant
from the N.J. Committee for
the Humanities, the principle
aim of the symposium is to
inform the public on evolution,
response to the adherents
of so called Scientific
Creationism. An integral
part of this event, serving
the same purpose, will be
the inauguration of a new
exhibition at the Museum,
covering evolution from the
earliest human fossil remains
through the Bronze Age.

Charged with the organization
of the symposium and exhibition
is the current President
of the Eastern States Archaeo­
logical Federation, Herbert
C. Kraft, Professor of
Anthropology and Director of
the Museum, and Gabriel
DeCicco, a Senior Research
Associate.

By combining the symposium
with an outstanding display,
the organizers hope to reach
the widest possible audience.
Of the eight guest speakers
who will present papers at the
symposium, four represent
the anthropological sub-disciplines
of physical anthropology,
archaeology, cultural anthro­
pology and ethnology, while
the others represent the fields
of geology, theology and
philosophy. The exhibition
should be especially attrac­
tive to the general public
since it will include some
magnificent Danish prehistoric
material, mostly from the
Museum's excellent collection.

A publication is planned that
will contain long abstracts
of the symposium papers, as
well as a completely illus­
trated guide to the 24 dis­
play cases interwoven with
a narrative on evolution.

While tens of thousands
of persons can be expected
to visit the Museum while
the exhibition is on display,
the organizers also hope to
attract a large audience at
the symposium. We would
appreciate the cooperation
all the anthropology depart­
ments in the New York metropo­
itan area to help us fill
the auditorium on Saturday
December 10.

It is hoped that this
approach will prove success­
ful and serve as a model for
other institutions. There are,
perhaps, some in the profes­sion who believe the
"Creationism" is a purely
"Southern Phenomenon", but
this is not the case. Further
more, a more informed and
educated public is the aim
of the symposium and the
exhibit.

Further information can
obtained from either Herbert
Kraft or Gabriel DeCicco at
the Seton Hall University
Museum, South Orange, N.J.
07079.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SLATES DUES INCREASE

George Frison

After reviewing the 1983
budget, the Executive
Committee determined that
escalating costs for publi­
American Antiquity and the
one-time costs associated
with the transition from a
management to a management
firm will require an increase
in the dues to balance the
budget. At the same time,
the Executive Committee
created a new discount
membership category for
retired members.

The new fee structure,
will be effective beginning
January 1984 is:

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These increases are sub­
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essential to remember that
they include a substantial
one-time-only cost result­
from the transition to a
management arrangement. So
these increases will not reco­
the money generated in sub­
sequent years should cover the
inevitably higher operating
costs of the SAA for a lon­
period than past dues increas­
ARCHIVAL MATERIAL SOUGHT

The Society, as it moves toward its 50th anniversary in 1985, is attempting to bring together as much material as possible relating to its activities since its founding in 1935. Anyone who has held SAA office, served on Society committees or corresponded or written about the Society is urged to search his/her files for pertinent papers. Send material to the co-chairman of the SAA Archives Committee, Nathalie and Richard Woodbury (RFD 3, Amherst, MA 01002), who will inventory it for the SAA before forwarding it to the National Anthropological Archives at the Smithsonian. Although originals are preferred for archives, copies are acceptable.

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DEATH NOTICES

Nathalie Woodbury

Deaths of the following colleagues have come to our attention since the Annual Meeting of the Society in April, 1982. (Nathalie Woodbury would appreciate learning from readers of News among the profession as they occur. Address: Volney H. Jones, 79, T. Stell Newman, 46, Princeton University and supporter of field work in the Southwest, March 4, 1982.


JANE Powell Dwyer, Director, Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology and Professor, Brown University, May 27, 1982.


James Henri Howard, 57, Professor, Oklahoma State, October 1, 1982.


Isabel T. Kelly, 76, Tecomachalco, Mexico, Middle American Archaeology, December 29, 1982.


L. Jill Loucks, 29, Assistant Professor, Appalachian State University, November 14, 1982.

Robert Anderson McKennan, 78, Professor Emeritus, Dartmouth College, October 31, 1982.


Doreen Voiles Ozker, 61, Assistant Research Scientist and Head, Great Lakes Archaeological Services, University of Michigan, June 20, 1982.

Rafael Ramos, Spanish citizen, Tulane University graduate student, July 11, 1983.

Claude Schaeffer, 84, French Near Eastern archaeologist, September, 1982.


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PLACEMENT CENTER

As a service to the membership, the Bulletin publishes job listings. The Bulletin accepts placement advertisements that conform to the following standards. All notices must be:

1. received by the closing date for copy for that issue (page 8, column 3, May 1983 issue)
2. typed, double spaced on one side only of non-erasable bond
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4. accompanied by the name, address, and phone number of the contact person for each position listed. (This may or may not be the contact person in the notice and will not be published except upon request.)
5. include the closing date for consideration of applicants.

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CENTER FOR NORTHWEST ANTHROPOLOGY, WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY, seeks applicants for Assistant Director. Required: Ph.D.; anthropological archaeology specialization; substantial North American research experience; demonstrated ability to design research, obtain funds, direct projects, and report results. Desired: strong theoretical focus and experience in archaeology of hunter-gatherers, Pacific Northwest archaeology, cultural resource management research. Job Description: Assist in directing research program; supervise research staff; serve as principle investigator on selected projects. WSU provides six months' salary annually; remainder from funded projects. Salary competitive. To Apply: Send (continued on page 6)
MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY seeks an Assistant Director, Wickliffe Mounds Research Center, pending budgetary approval, for developing museum and research program on Mississippian village/ceremonial site. To manage collections, supervise collections research, plan exhibits and museum interpretation. Qualifications: M.A., background in anthropology or related field, two years experience in museum or collections management. Salary - $15,000. Deadline: October 31, 1983. Vita and names of references to Kit Wesler, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Murray State University, Murray, KY 42071. Murray State University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.


NYAME AKUMA

NYAME AKUMA, a newsletter of African archaeology, is the official publication of the Society of Africanist Archaeologists in America. Since 1972, it has been issued biannually, in May and November. The founding editor was Professor Peter Shinnie (University of Calgary) and the current editor is Dr. David Lubell (University of Alberta). NYAME AKUMA publishes short reports on current research in almost all periods of African archaeology (in both French and English) with the exception of the classical period in North Africa and the Pharaonic periods in Egypt.

Subscriptions are $10.00 per year, payable to NYAME AKUMA. They can be paid in Canadian funds drawn on Canadian banks to the Editor, NYAME AKUMA, Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, T6G 2H4. It is also possible to pay in U.S. funds by sending a check to Dr. Sherry Miller, Department of Anthropology, Pitzer College, Claremont, California 91711, USA; or in sterling by sending £4.50 to Dr. Stephen Green, National Museum of Wales, Cardiff, CF1 3NP, United Kingdom.

Some back numbers are still available at $5.00 each, and a complete set of numbers 1-17 on microfiche can be purchased for $50.00. Inquiries should be sent to the Editor. Number 21 will be published at the end of December, 1982.

FIFTH THEORETICAL ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP CONFERENCE: CARDIFF, WALES, UK.

The Theoretical Archaeology Group (TAG) was founded in the late 1970s by Colin Renfrew, Andrew Fleming and others. Its aim is to discuss all aspects of archaeological theory. Since 1979, it has held an annual conference, which has been attended by British, European and American archaeologists.

The fifth TAG conference will be held at University College, Cardiff, from 12-14 December 1983. This year's sessions will include:

Timescales and forms of explanation
Towards a critical historiography of archaeology
Urban archaeology
Material culture theory
The nature of culture change: recent Scandinavian approaches
Theory and practice - putting theory in its place
Settlement and social organization
Social miscellany

There will be at least two simultaneous sessions throughout.

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HISTORIC CHERT EXPLOITATION - THE SECOND CONFERENCE

The Center for Archaeological Investigations, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale is soliciting potential paper contributors and opinions on scheduling topics for the Second Conference on Prehistoric Chert Exploitation to be held in late Spring, 1984 at Carbondale. The conference will build on the 1981 Chert Conference, whose papers will be published this fall. This conference will be organized by Dr. Susan Vehik (University of Oklahoma), Visiting Scholar at the Center for 1983-1984.

Three topical areas have been tentatively selected for the conference:

1. Lithic Analysis and the Study of Prehistoric Social Behavior. Papers should address such questions as strategies of resource procurement, structure of intergroup social relations (exchange and redistribution), and analysis of cultural change processes.

2. Source Area Definition. Papers will focus on the use of trace elements, thermoluminescence, microfossils, and other techniques to define chert source locales.

3. Techno-Functional Studies. Papers will stress the study of technology/function, including quarrying and manufacturing technologies, temporal change in technology, and use-wear studies.

The conference will be two days. Papers must be prepared in hard copy in advance of the meeting. The Center will publish a volume of selected papers from the conference.

Inquiries and comments should be directed to Dr. Susan Vehik, Center for Archaeological Investigations, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Carbondale, Illinois, 62901. Further information on the conference will be forthcoming during the fall.

HOKOKAN SYMPOSIUM SLATED

The 1983 Hohokam Symposium will convene at Arizona State University, Memorial Union Building, on November 11-12. The principal focus will be on economic, social and interaction issues. Participation from all areas of the archaeological community is encouraged.

Individuals interested in presenting a paper should notify the coordinators no later than July 30; the letter should include the author(s), an approximate title, and a statement of the theme (one to three sentences). The author(s) should submit a complete draft of the paper no later than September 5. The paper should be between 3,000 and 4,000 words and include the title and an abstract of no more than 200 words. Affiliation, address, and phone numbers of the author(s) should be placed on the title page. The presentation time limit on accepted papers will be 20 minutes. Submission of a paper implies the author(s) agreement to present the paper.

A proceedings of the symposium will be published.

Important Dates

| Notice of intent—July 30 |
| Draft submission deadline—September 5 |
| Notification of acceptance—October 1 |
| Any modifications to paper by author—November 1 |
| Symposium—November 11-12 |

All correspondence should be sent to the Department of Anthropology, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona 85287.

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