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Fulfilling the Mission-V: Establishing a Foundation for American Archaeology

Virtually all members of the Society agree that the American public wants and needs more information about archaeology. And virtually all archaeologists agree that we need to reach that public and ask for its help and support for archaeology. One way to reach the public and to raise the money to carry our messages would be to establish a Foundation for American Archaeology.

Through a Foundation, the Society could reach private people concerned with archaeology, all levels of government that affect archaeology, and corporations concerned in a number of ways with archaeology. It could respond to the numerous educational opportunities in the United States that cry out for attention. Schools, historical museums, newspapers, television stations, film producers, and national magazines all use archaeology and look for information and lead stories about it. The Society cannot fulfill that demand now because it is not organized to do so, nor can it fund such a response. Yet our management survey of the membership indicated that public outreach should be one of the highest priorities of the Society. A Foundation could address these priorities.

There also is a severe problem throughout the country involving the destruction of archaeological sites. This problem has always been serious in some areas like the Southwest, but has now spread, for example, to the Eastern States, especially to historic sites. The Secretary of the Interior has recognized the severity of the problem and has addressed it. A Foundation, which existed to promote education and fund-raising, could devote itself to this pressing issue, too.

All archaeologists are going to need an informed and experienced organization to help them deal with the demand for reburial and repatriation of prehistoric and historical remains and artifacts. This is a growing problem, is international, and involves a serious challenge to the scientific rationale for archaeological work. A Foundation could address the scope and variety of the demands, gather information on local solutions and compromises, and be the advocate for reasonable approaches.

The Foundation for American Archaeology, whose goal would be public outreach, would be related to the SAA and would be a 501 (c) (3) (IRS designation for tax exempt status) organization. As planned in the management study, it would be governed by a Board of Trustees composed mainly of skilled administrators with established interests in archaeology. The board would be appointed by, but would be independent of, the SAA Executive Committee.

The chief activity of the Foundation's Board would be fundraising for the Foundation's goals. As most archaeologists know, there is money available for archaeological work, museum work connected to archaeology, protection and enhancement of archaeological sites, and many other activities connected with historic preservation. Archaeologists individually have been immensely successful in raising funds for specific projects. Archaeologists have a well-known ability to form successful teams to pass and influence federal and state legislation. This ability could transfer to the fundraising done through a Foundation.

Creating a Foundation will mean raising "seed money," say \$5000, to cover initial expenses, which involve writing a concept paper with the details of a foundation, working with a paid consultant, and assembling a small group of about seven individuals who are

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Society Doctoral Dissertation Prize: Call for Nominations

The Society for American Archaeology has established a prize to be awarded to individuals whose doctoral dissertations are judged to be particularly outstanding and important. The prize is honorary lifetime membership in the SAA. In addition, the Society will endeavor to publish as many of these dissertations as possible.

Nominees must have defended their dissertations and have received their Ph.D. degrees in the three years prior to the current deadline (10/1/89) in order to be eligible. It is not necessary that a nominee already be a member of the SAA.

Non-student members of the SAA are encouraged to nominate students whose dissertations they consider to represent outstanding scholarship and original contributions to the field. At the time of nomination, nominees are to be informed of the fact, and they may then submit their work in competition if they agree to adhere to the conditions of the competition and the prize (see American Antiquity 48(1) inside back cover, for details). All letters of nomination and three copies of all dissertations entered for consideration must be sent by October 1, 1989 to: Dr. Patty Jo Watson, SAA Dissertation Prize Committee, Department of Anthropology, Washington University, One Brookings Drive, St. Louis, MO 63130-4899.

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NPS Training Courses

The 54th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology will take place at the Atlanta Hilton Hotel, April 5 through April 9, 1989. This year's program will include nearly 700 papers organized in 82 sessions. In contrast to recent meetings, the Program Committee this year was able to accept 94% of the submitted papers.

A special characteristic of this year's annual meeting is that it will have a significant Old World component. Nearly 20% of the presented papers will focus on the archaeology of Europe, Asia, Africa, or Oceania, and many European archaeologists will attend the meeting.

Special Events in Atlanta

Guided tours to the two most famous archaeological sites in Georgia and a dance concert by two bands of archaeologists, head the list of attractions in Atlanta during the annual meeting.

There will be a one-half day tour on Friday to Etowah, a major Mississippian mound center, and a full day tour on Saturday to Ocmulgee National Monument, the other well-known Mississippian mound site in Georgia.

On Saturday evening, two local bands--made up of archaeologists-will provide the music for the dance concert. Steve Kowaleski, local arrangements chair, reports that these two bands have played to enthusiastic crowds at clubs in Athens and at the Southeastern -Archaeological Conference.

The Forest Service is sponsoring two tours: an overnight tour on Tuesday and Wednesday to Chattahoochee National Forest and a one day Forest Management Activities Tour on Thursday. For information contact, Rachel G. Schneider at (404) 536-0541.

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The Park Service will conduct a 12 hour training course "Archeological Protection for Cultural Resources and Law Enforcement Managers and Specialists" on Tuesday and Wednesday prior to the opening of the Annual Meeting. For information, contact John Ehrenhard, National Park Service, Archeological Services Division, (404) 331-2629.

Full details are in the Preliminary Program.

54th ANNUAL MEETING

Other highlights of the meeting include three sessions that anticipate the 1992 Columbian Quincentenary and explore the early Spanish colonial period in what is now the Southeastern U.S. Two symposia are planned, including the Society's Plenary Session (which is part of the SAA Anti-Looting Project), that address the national crisis of looting of archaeological sites. Comments are anticipated in this session by members of the U.S. Congress and a federal judge.

A special Thursday evening -session will offer an open exchange of views about archaeological

Placement Services

SAA invites applicants and employees to use the Placement Service; it will operate at the Annual Meeting in Atlanta, April 5-9. The Placement Service brings together those seeking positions and those with positions open.

"Position Open" listings are posted on bulletin boards in the Placement Center. If an applicant is interested in pursuing one of the open positions, the applicant requests an interview by filing a message to the prospective employer at the Placement Center's Message Desk.

Likewise, a directory of registered applicants is made available to employers. If an employer finds an applicant who interests him or her, the employer can leave a message for the applicant at the Placement Center's Message Desk. The employer may then reserve a time for interviews in the room set aside for this purpose.

This match-making service is made available by SAA to its members at no charge. Forms and information to preregister are available from SAA's Executive Offices, 808 17th Street, N.W. Suite 200, Washington, DC 20006

Call for Volunteers

The Society depends upon the services of volunteers for the onsite management of its Annual Meeting.

Volunteers are needed to help staff the registration desk, the message and information center, the membership desk, and to serve as room monitors during the issues confronting the 1990's. In this symposium the major thinkers and theorists of modern archaeology--from the United States and Great Britain--will be together in one room to debate issues and answer questions.

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Finally, there will be the usual sessions on the archaeology of North, Middle and South America, and on methods, techniques, and problems of concern to the archaeological community.

I hope you can all attend this meeting. It promises to be an exciting one.

Kenneth L. Kvamme, Program Chair, Arizona State Museum, Tucson, AZ 85721.

presentation of papers.

As an incentive, the Society offers free membership for one year, free meeting registration, credits towards the purchase of SAA publications, and \$3.00 for each session worked toward lunch or parking expenses. Volunteers work only a half day each day which leaves the other half of the day to attend sessions.

Prior to the meeting, SAA will contact all who volunteer to determine the hours they wish to work and their preference for the type of service.

To volunteer, please write to Jerome A. Miller, SAA, 808 17th St NW, Washington, D.C. 20006.

Air Fare and Car Rental Discounts

Delta Airlines is offering those who attend the Annual Meeting in Atlanta a 5% discount off any special round trip fares for which the attendee may qualify; or, if you don't qualify for any special fare, a 40% discount off Delta's unrestricted round-trip coach rates. (Canadian originating attendees will receive a 35% savings.)

To take advantage of these discounts, call Delta (or have your travel agent call) at 1-800-241-6760 and refer to file number U0627.

The Society has also negotiated car rental discount rates with Alamo. The rates begin at \$19.00 a day for a two-door economy class car and range up to \$29.00 for a car in the luxury class. Rates include fully equipped car (automatic, air, and radio) and unlimited free mileage. Gas and tax are extra. Request Group ID #36547, Rate Plan Code G3. Bullein

Essential References

The first book of its kind... PALEOETHNOBOTANY A Handbook of Procedures

Deborah M. Pearsall

"Deborah Pearsall has written an indispensable book. The recovery, identification, and analysis of plant macroremains, pollen, and phytoliths, are detailed authoritatively. Its encylopedic coverage provides an unprecedented basis for understanding human and plant interactions in the archaeological record. It is a book which will assume a prominent position on the shelf of all archaeologists. It will stand alone. set the tone for the future, and tower above any potential competitor for years to come."

> -Richard I. Ford UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

March 1989, 470 pages, \$59.95 ISBN: 0-12-548040-7

A challenging view... DEBATING ARCHAEOLOGY

Lewis R. Binford

As the leading theoretician and principal spokesman of the "New Archaeology" for the past thirty years, all archaeologists will find Binford's **Debating Archaeology** an important addition to the literature. This book includes:

- Extensive discussions of empiricism and the assumptions of "post Processual" archaeology
- Discussion of science as a learning process in conflict with empiricism

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- Examination of the current scholarly conflicts in archaeological theory
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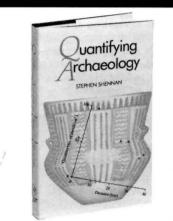
A unique interdisciplinary approach... THE FLOCKS OF THE WAMANI A Study of Llama Herders on the Punas of Ayacucho, Peru

Kent V. Flannery, Joyce Marcus, and Robert G. Reynolds

The authors use the archaeological record of 5,000 years of llama and llama herder behavior in the Peruvian Andes, ethnographies of contemporary Peruvian llama herders, zoological studies of contemporary camelid behavior in the Andes, and advanced techniques of computer simulation to arrive at a model which works well to explain much that has previously been confusing about both animal herd dynamics and the evolution of human societies. Four variant sociobiological models of the coevolution of human and animal behavior which are currently being advanced by evolutionary biologists and social theorists are tested and shown to be poor fits with

the observed data. Various perils inherent in modeling long-term evolutionary behavior on the basis of short-term observation are demonstrated in a cautionary way.

In Paperback: \$24.50 (tentative) ISBN: 0-12-259836-9 Casebound: \$49.95 (tentative) ISBN: 0-12-259835-0 March 1989, c. 231 pages



QUANTIFYING ARCHAEOLOGY

Stephen Shennan

This book introduces archaeologists to the most important quantitative methods, from the initial description of archaeological data to techniques of multivariate analysis. These are presented in the context of familiar problems in archaeological practice, an approach designed to illustrate their relevance and to overcome the fear of mathematics from which archaeologists often suffer.

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UNR Continuing Education Workshops

The University of Nevada, Reno announces the following CRM continuing education workshops for Spring, 1989:

Assessing Archaelogical Significance of Historic Sites

March 20-24, 1989. Fee: \$450+required text. Instructors: Donald L. Hardesty (University of Nevada, Reno); and George A. Teague (National Park Service).

The workshop focuses on issues of significance relating to 19th and 20th century archaeological sites. Methods of evaluating small sites, towns, mining districts, historical trails, roads and railroad grades are covered. The workshop includes a field trip to historic sites in the vicinity of Reno, NV.

Recording and Evaluating Vernacular Architecture

Mar. 27-29, 1989.

Fee: \$450+course materials, and \$75.25 for meals and lodging Instructors: Ana Beth Koval (President, Rainshadow Assoc., historic architectural and preservation consultants); and Kathryn Kuranda (Architectural historian, Nevada SHPO)

Course will be held in northern California town of Calpine. Students will stay at Sierra Valley Lodge; group Tate covers meals and two nights lodging. Round trip Reno-Calpine transportation is provided. Course covers methods of surveying and evaluating vernacular buildings, districts, and cultural landscapes. General field survey of late 19th and early 20th century sites and the application of National Register Criteria for Evaluation are emphasized.

Geomorphology in Archaeological Analysis

April 24-28, 1989. Fee: \$450+course materials Instructor: Fred Nials (Geoarchaeologist, Desert Research Institute)

Principles of geomorphology, sedimentation, and stratigraphy as applied to archaeological analysis are addressed. Discussions of basic

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Taos Workshop on Ethnobotany

Southern Methodist University announces a one-week workshop in Ethnobotany to be held at its Fort Burgwin Research Center near Taos. NM, from July 30-August 5, 1989. The course may be taken for two hours credit, or as a non-credit course. The course will provide intensive instruction in modern techniques of ethnobotany, using the Taos area as a laboratory and the Fort Burgwin campus as a base. It will focus on the mutual interactions between humans and plants, and will examine beliefs - about plants as specific expressions of more generalized native views of the world.

Participants will receive lectures on ethnobotanical theory, plant ecology and systematics, and Southwestern plant history. Laboratory and lecture sessions will provide information on Pueblo, Hispanic, and Anglo ethnobotany. There will be field trips to Picuris Pueblo, one of two Tiwaspeaking Indian pueblos in the northern Rio Grande area.

Dr. Richard I. Ford, Dean of Research and Professor of Anthropology at the University of Michigan, will conduct the workshop. Dr. Ford is an internationally recognized scholar with years of experience in the Southwest.

The ethnobotany workshop is limited to fifteen participants. It is open to graduate and undergraduate students, faculty, and post-doctoral staff. All participants are housed at the Fort Burgwin Research Center during their stay. Cost for credit or non-credit participants, including room, board, and tuition or fees is \$560.00. For more information and application material: Dr. Patricia Crown, Director of Archaeological Workshops, Department of Anthropology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX 75275 (505) 983-5342.

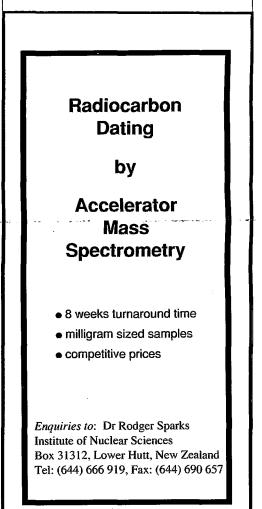
landforms, depositional environments, and associated geologic processes as they affect archaeological materials and sites. Course includes two all day field trips.

Summer Field School in Lithic Analysis

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Lithic Analysts, Pullman, WA, will offer a month-long summer field school in "Flint Knapping and Lithic Technology" under the direction of J. Jeffrey Flenniken. The field school was established by the late Don E. Crabtree, and has been taught by Flenniken since 1976. The field school will begin June 13, 1989, and end July 13, 1989. Application deadline is April 15, 1989.

A maximum of ten participants will be selected. Applicants must be strongly committed students or practicing archaeologists. Professionals are encouraged to apply. Applicants should submit a letter detailing interest, a vita, and two letters of recommendation. Send applications to Lithic Analysts, P.O. Box 684, Pullman, WA 99163.



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Placement

Park Superintendent

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Deparetment currently has a vacant position for a Park Superintendent at Lubbock Lake Landmark State Historic Site. Professional experience in museum operations and/or extensive experience in archaeology is of primary consideration for the position. If you would like more information regarding this position please write or call: (915) 572-3505, Lubbock Lake Landmark SHS, c/o TX Parks and Wildlife, Dept Reg I, Tuscola, TX ** 79562 and cite Position Vacancy Announcement No 15 or January 3, 1989. The closing date is unspecified.

Job in the Sierra Nevadas

The Eldorado National Forest is looking for 30 seasonal survey archaeologists to work from March to November. The Forest is ideally situated between Lake Tahoe and Sacramento, and has a wide variety of archaeological resources. Pay is

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set at \$6-9/hour depending upon qualifications, and housing will be available. To apply or for more information, call the Forest Archaeologistor the Personnel Office at (916)622-5061, or mail an application on form SF171 to: Eldorado National Forest, 100 Forni Rd, Placerville, CA 95667.



Research Administrator

Arkansas Archaeological Survey, a unit of the University of Arkansas System, seeks Research Administrator for its sponsored research program. PhD or equivalent experience, good writing ability and publication record, demonstrated personnel management

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1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 skills, and experience in conducting and administering archaeological research projects from large to small required. Must be comfortable with advanced computer technology. Knowledge of southeast archaeology desirable. Non-tenure track. The University of Arkansas/ Arkansas Archaeological Survey is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Applications by women and minorities are encouraged. Send application letter, complete vitae, and the names, addresses, and phone numbers of at least three references to: Charles McGimsey III, Director, Arkansas Archaeological Survey, P O Box 1249, Fayetteville AR 72702-1249.

Social Sciences Center Renamed

The Quaternary Sciences Center (formerly the Social Sciences Center) at the Desert Research Institute, University of Nevada System, Reno, has changed its name to reflect its expanded expertise and personnel in the area of Quaternary sciences. Their address is: QSC-DRI, P.O. Box 60220, Reno, NV 89506.

Desert Research Institute Quaternary Sciences Center Executive Director

The Quaternary Sciences Center of the Desert Research Institute is seeking an Executive Director of national reputation to provide administrative and scholarly leadership for its expanding basic and applied research programs in Anthropology, Archaeology, History, Paleobotany, Paleozoology and Quaternary Geology. The Center has an agenda to expand its research into improving understanding of global environmental change in arid environments. The successful applicant must have demonstrated the administrative and interpersonal skills required to foster the productivity and creativity of a small group of research scientists and to be an effective advocate for the Center. Applicants should have significant research achievements in the Quaternary sciences. Experience in archaeology is desired and a Ph.D. is preferred. Salary is state-funded in the \$75,000 to \$80,000 range negotiable commensurate with applicant's qualifications and experience.4 The Desert Research Institute is the statewide research division of the University of Nevada System. Research is managed in five centers: Atmospheric Sciences, Biological Sciences, Energy and Environmental Engineering, Water Resources and Quaternary Sciences. DRI's annual budget now exceeds \$16 million and is growing at 15% annually. The 4 Quaternary Sciences Center (formerly the Social Sciences Center) has an annual budget of over a million dollars in grants and contracts and a full-time staff of 21 professionals and technicians. Center research is concentrated on arid and semi-arid lands of the world with particular emphasis on the Intermountain West; opportunities exist for developing additional programs in Quaternary studies. Applicants should include a resume and statement of interest. Initial screening of applications will begin by May 1, 1989. Placement is desired by July 1, 1989 although a later date is negotiable. Applications should be addressed to Dr. Peter Wigand, Chairman, Quaternary Sciences Center Executive Director Search Committee, Desert Research Institute, University of Nevada System, P.O. Box 60220, Reno, NV 89506. For further information call Dr. Peter Wigand at (702) 673-7387. The Desert Research Institute is an affirmative action equal opportunity employer. University of Nevada

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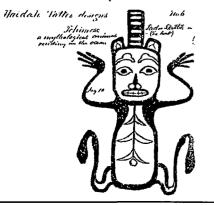
experienced in this area to be a directing task force.

Initially, a preliminary set of by-laws will have to be developed and individuals having the necessary management skills would be identified. The SAA Executive Committee would approve the by-laws after approval by legal counsel.

After a managing director is identified, he/she will need to start building the Foundation's "case", i.e. the public service aspects of archaeology. The case for the Foundation would involve stating that the need is genuine, that the society is the best agent to deal with it, and that the foundation is organized with a specific plan and budget to deal with the need.

In order to make the case and raise funds, the Foundation will need expert help in designing and using brochures and audiovisual materials for prospective contributors and in producing grant proposals. Such fundraising is most effectively done if the purposes of the Foundation are broadly stated and include receiving and administering funds for tax exempt charitable, scientific, literary, and educational purposes which serve the needs of archaeology in the public interest.

The purpose of a foundation for American Archaeology, as an adjunct to the SAA, is to permit archaeologists to reach out to an interested public so that some of the central purposes of American archaeology which were established in the 1930s can be productively met. The creation of a largescale, well-funded, and effective Foundation is an enormous challenge. But it is essential that we create it since we have never faced such grave challenges nor such willing audiences. The Foundation is essential to our growth and maturity as an international profession.



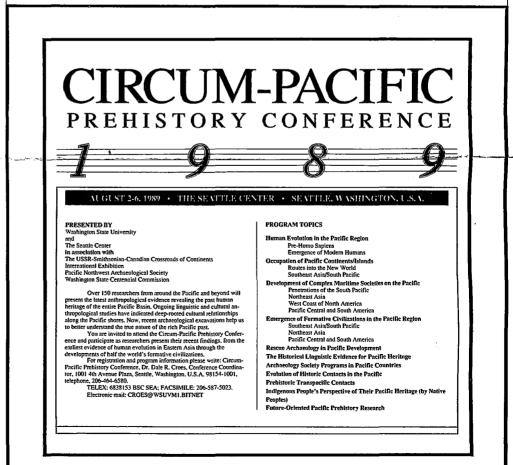
Archaeological Protection Training for Cultural Resources and Law Enforcement Managers and Specialists

The Departmental Consulting Archeologist and the Archeological Assistance Program, National Park Service, in cooperation with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLECTO) have developed a 12 hour training course during 1989 titled "Archeological Protection Training for Cultural Resources and Law Enforcement Managers and Specialists." The objective of the course is to provide an overview of archeological resource protection against looting and vandalism for cultural resources and law enforcement managers and specialists concerned with improving their programs. It will assist managers in evaluating the current status of their programs, particularly with regard to personnel training needs, and inform specialists about effective ways to implement archaeological resource protection activities. It will also provide an opportunity for interagency cultural resources and law enforcement program personnel to interact on improving cooperative efforts that may be necessary to

protect significant archaeological properties.

There is no charge for course tuition, however those wishing to attend must apply to the appropriate NPS Regional Office training division Deborah Burnett (Mid-Atlantic RO, Southeast RO, 215-597-9153); Norma Patton (Southeast RO, 404-331-5712); Mike Bieszad (Rocky Mountain RO, 303-969-2000); Pauline Jue (Western RO, 415-556-3916); Susan Morton (Alaska RO, 907-257-2657). Further information is available by contacting <u>Richard Waldbauer</u>, Archaeological Assistance Division, (202-343-4113).

The course will be offered at several locations around the country according to the following schedule: March 30–31, Canaveral National Seashore, Titusville, FL (Southeast RO); April 4–5, Atlanta, GA (Southeast RO); May 2–3, Washington, D.C. (Mid-Atlantic RO); Sept 25–26, Salt Lake City, UT (Rocky Mt. RO); Sept 27–28, Billings, MT (Rocky Mt. RO); Oct 17–18, Phoenix, AZ (Western RO); Oct 19–20, Reno, NV (Western RO).



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Columbian Quincentenary Implies SAA Involvement

In recognition of the upcoming Columbian Quincentenary, the Society for American Archaeology has launched a series of nine Columbian Consequences seminars to explore the social, demographic, ecological, ideological, and human repercussions of the European-Native American encounters across the Spanish Borderlands.

Although initiated and cosponsored by the Society for American Archaeology, this inquiry moves beyond the traditional scope of archaeological investigations, drawing together a broad assortment of perspectives. More than 100 scholars have been enlisted to contribute to nine symposia, and their papers will be published in a three-volume series by the Smithsonian Institution Press.

In the first series of seminars, held at the Society for American Archaeology meetings in Phoenix (May 1988), participating scholars addressed the European-Native American interface along the western Spanish Borderlands-from the Pacific slope across the Southwestern heartland to east Texas, from Russian Fort Ross to southern Baja California. The contributors bring to the project a wide range of backgrounds, and they examine the Spanish Borderlands from numerous angles. Many are practicing archaeologists, and their essays treat the surviving material evidence relating to the sociopolitics, economics, iconography, and physical environment of the contact period of the Spanish Borderlands West. Other participants provide a critical balance from the disciplines of American history, art history, ethnohistory, physical anthropology, and geography. Two Native American scholars discuss the survival strategies employed by their ancestors in coping with such radical change.

These papers are being published as Columbian Consequences: Archaeological and Historical Perspectives on the Spanish Borderlands West, edited by David Hurst Thomas (Smithsonian Institution Press, April 1989).

The second series of Columbian Consequences seminars will be presented at the Society for American Archaeology meetings to be held in Atlanta (April 5-9, 1989). Specialists will take up a similar agenda in the context of the Spanish Borderlands East, concentrating on La Florida (modern Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina), the greater Southeast and the Caribbean; these papers will appear in a second volume, also edited by Thomas, scheduled for release in April 1990.

The final seminars (to be held in Las Vegas in April 1990) will shed all geographic constraints to seek an understanding of the processes behind the Borderlands experience. There, scholars will examine the Pan-American consequences of Hispanic-Native American interactions to the north, in Anglo-America, and southward, in what is now termed Latin America.

The format of Columbian Consequences is designed to bring the fruits of this inquiry to both the scholarly community and the public at large. To render these specialized presentations palatable to a more general audience, several leading scholars in the field have prepared overviews designed to make the rest of the text comprehensible to non-specialists. Each overview synthesizes current thinking about the specific setting, the Native American context, a history of European involvement, and a history of scholarly research. These overviews also contain a concise chronological table of salient events and extensive suggestions for additional reading.

Further information about the Columbian Consequences can be obtained by writing Dr. David Hurst Thomas, Department of Anthropology, American Museum of Natural History, Central Park West at 79th Street, New York, NY 10024.

Society Founder Dies

At the age of 96, Will Carleton McKern, one of the founders of the Society for American Archaeology, died in Waukesha, Wisconsin on November 20, 1988. He was the first editor of American Antiquity from 1935 to 1939, and President of the Society in 1940. Until his death he was Emeritus Director of the Milwaukee Public Museum.

Archaeological Ethics and the Treatment of the Dead

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The theme of the first Inter-Congress of the World Archaeological Congress will be "Archaeological Ethics and the Treatment of the Dead." The Inter-Congress will cover four days from August 7-10, 1989 and will be hosted by the University of South Dakota at Vermillion. The goal of the conference will be to explore as many facets of the theme as possible, including the reburial and repatriation issues, but raised on a world scale.

Speakers will include professional archaeologists and osteologists from many parts of the world; those with personal experience of the issues as well as those with theoretical views; indigenous peoples from different parts of the world whose dispositions of the dead have been affected by archaeological inquiry; indigenous professional archaeologists and site recorders; representatives of governmental agencies involved in the issue; and media professionals who report both the result of archaeological research and the controversies surrounding it. Papers have already been received from Saudia Arabia, Greece, Svria, France, England, Kenya, Burkina-Faso, Canada, USA, India, and Australia, among others The World Archaeological Congress intends to explore no particular position on the issue at the expense of others, and though views presented at the meeting will no doubt conflict with their views, the Inter-Congress program carries the endorsement of the World Council of Indigenous Peoples, the International Indian Treaty Council, and American Indians Against Desecration.

Papers are solicited on any aspect of the subject. Many papers will be precirculated; those manuscripts are due by May 1, 1989. Abstracts of others will be received until June 15. A volume of meeting papers will be published. A detailed Inter-Congress Circular containing further information can be obtained by contacting Larry J. Zimmerman, Archaeology Laboratory, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD 57069 (605) 677-5401.

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Environmental Impact Research Program

The Environmental Impact Research Program (EIRP) at the Corps of **Engineers Waterways Experiment** Station (WES) recently published and distributed the "Archeological Sites Protection and Preservation Notebook" (ASPPN). This loose-leaf notebook contains a set of technical notes covering a variety of topics related to archeological site preservation techniques. The technical notes include the summarized results of two types of information: original research contracted under the EIRP work unit and case studies abstracted from published and unpublished reports. The ASPPN includes an initial collection of 19 notes; two supplements of 10 notes each are in preparation and will be published early in 1989. Additional technical notes are anticipated in the future.

Two other publications have been issued as part of the "Field Preservation of Cultural Sites" EIRP work unit. These are: "Archeological Site Preservation Techniques: A Preliminary Review: (WES Technical Report EL-87-3) and "Guidelines for the Organization of Archeological Site Stabilization Projects: A Modeled Approach" (WES Technical Report 88-8). Other reports nearing completion under the work unit include the topics of surface erosion impacts, effects of site burial on archaeological remains, the use of sequential historical aerial photographs to map and predict erosion, and a manager's manual on archaeological inundation studies.

The work unit has been operating for the past three years under the direction of Dr. James Hester with the assistance of Dr. Roger Saucier, Program Manager for the EIRP at WES. In August of 1988, Dr. Hester returned to the University of Colorado and has been replaced by Dr. Paul Nickens, also from the University of Colorado; who will be serving at WES under an Intergovernmental Personnel Act Agreement.

Copies of the ASPPN have been distributed to each Corps of Engineers office, each SHPO, and to other agency offices. Copies of the work unit publications are available in limited quantities and requests for single copies can be directed to Dr. Nickens at WES, mailing address: Corps of Engineers, Waterways Experiment Station, CEWES-EE-R, P.O. Box 631, Vicksburg, MS 39180, (601) 634-2380. Comments are solicited regarding the notebook contents, especially for topics for additional technical notes.

Contract Archaeology Newsletter

In order to improve the pay scale for the archaeological field workers, facilitate scheduling and selection of a crew for the contract companies, and to allow for easier comparison by the contracting managers between competing contract proposals, I would like to suggest that a job clearinghouse be created for contract archaeology. The clearinghouse would serve two main functions and would have beneficial side affects. First, the clearing house would be a central place where job announcements could be sent by archaeological contract companies in need of workers. The second function of the clearinghouse would be to act as a repository of vitae submitted by interested workers.

Anyone interested in joining the clearinghouse or helping to establish the classifications and guidelines needed for this undertaking please contact: Mark Hackbarth, 1410 E. Williams St., Tempe, AZ 85281.

Radiocarbon to Move

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Radiocarbon is moving to the University of Arizona as of January 1, 1989. Our new address will be Radiocarbon, Department of Geosciences, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721. Please address all inquiries and send all manuscripts to the above address.

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