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President's Message

The Washington State's *12th Annual Archaeology Month* is just around the corner. Please help spread the word about Archaeology Month 2004 in any way you can. Our colleagues who are presenting events, creating materials, and organizing distribution will thank you. Over the last several years, OAHp and numerous volunteers have done a fantastic job of distributing tens of thousands of posters and event guides across the state, but more help is always welcome. If you didn't see a poster or guide displayed at your local museum, library, or work place last year, then help get the word out about Archy Month this time around! Email Stephenie Kramer at stepheniek@cted.wa.gov and she'll send you a packet of materials to distribute; just let her know how many you'll need. Also, don't forget to attend one of the dozens of events planned! (An events list is provided in this newsletter and available at <http://www.oahp.wa.gov/archy.htm>)

Two other events are also happening this fall. The first of these is the opening of the Smithsonian Institution's Washington D.C. branch of the National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) on September 21. Located on the National Mall, this museum has over a quarter of a million square feet of display, archive, and laboratory space. Resource centers of the NMAI are also located in Maryland and New York. The opening will be marked by a Native Nations procession and a six-day long First Americans Festival, featuring more than 300 Native American musicians, dancers, and storytellers representing 30 to 40 Native communities from North, South, and Central America. More information about the NMAI and the opening procession/festival can be found at www.nmai.si.edu.

The second is the AWA La Push event, which is already underway. Many of you received an email invitation about this a few weeks ago. I apologize to those of you for whom the Board does not have current email addresses. The dates for the event came together after the mailing of the last newsletter and email was our quickest option. Gary Wessen is sponsoring an effort to provide screening assistance of midden deposits for the Quileute Tribe. From September 19-25, Gary has a group of police forensics trainees, several archaeology students, and local and AWA volunteers wet screening matrix disturbed during the construction of a senior center. Watch for upcoming articles in future newsletters summarizing this work. Depending on how much of the material is screened, we may also need more assistance screening in upcoming weeks.

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When responding to the event email, many of you commented that you had not renewed your 2004 membership at last spring's NWAC. It's not too late! Renew your membership now to continue receiving the newsletter and the next issue of the journal. A membership renewal form is located on the back page of the newsletter.

Finally, Vera Morgan has stepped down as AWA Treasurer. Our loss is tempered by the knowledge that she has secured a PI position with a CRM firm back East and is now residing closer to her husband. Congratulations on your new job, Vera! Your wise counsel on the Board will be missed.

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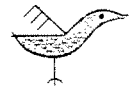
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—Linda Naoi Goetz

Future Volunteer Efforts at La Push

As mentioned in the President's Message, Gary Wessen organized an effort to provide screening assistance of midden deposits for the Quileute Tribe in LaPush. The work took place September 19-25. Thanks to all of you that volunteered! The screening was not completed, so there is a continuing need for volunteers in the future. If you are interested in future work here, please contact Gary Wessen (gwessen@aol.com). He will organize a future effort if the logistics and volunteers can be arranged.

Newsletter Policies

AWA does not review or evaluate the literature in its newsletter, though manuscripts may be edited for length and format. The views expressed herein are those of the author(s) and not necessarily those of AWA, its Board of Directors, staff, or the editor.

It is assumed that articles reporting on any aspect of a project under contract have been submitted in accordance with the provisions of the contract and with the knowledge and permission of the project's PI.

Submission deadlines are the 1st of March, June, September, and December. We welcome any relevant submissions. Please send them to the Editor, preferably via email.

AWA Needs New Treasurer

As mentioned in the President's Message, Vera Morgan resigned her AWA Treasurer position this summer. While we will miss Vera's contributions, now we need a new Treasurer. The new Treasurer can be appointed by the Board of Directors for the remainder of Vera's second term (until March 2005). Any interested AWA member should contact Linda Goetz for a description of the position and details about being appointed.

AWA Email Contact List

The AWA Board now has a list of member email addresses so we can communicate directly with those of you that use email. We have set up individual board members as personal contacts, so members can send/receive updates and provide feedback about cultural resource issues. If you receive email, you should have received some messages from President Linda Goetz in the past weeks. However, our addresses are incorrect for the following members:

Leslie Norman	Shelby Anderson	Dan Alden	Dave DeLyria	Barbara McKay
Elizabeth Ellis	Larry Nelson	Dennis Lewarch	Laura Murphy	Brantley Jackson
Andy de los Angeles				

Are you one of these people?? If so, and/or if you did not receive any email communication from AWA, please update your record and be a part of the AWA member contact list. Send your current email address to Linda Goetz (lgoetz@shap.com).

Summary of AWA Board Meetings, June and September

In the June Board meeting, there were a number of informational discussions as well as passage of two motions. Discussions included development of the new AWA web page, webmaster fees, journal binding, Government Affairs Network State Representative (GANSR— see *last newsletter*), loss of the AWA attorney, cultural resource protection laws, improving communications with OAHP, and the request from RPA representative Chuck Niquette for feedback on the RPA Semiahmah decision. Board members noted that creation of an ex-officio position on the AWA Board for OAHP would require a change to our bylaws, and recommended alternative strategies for communication. The Board passed two motions: (1) to provide a \$200 stipend for the AWA representative to travel to the SAA for the annual meeting of the Council of Councils, and (2) to have a Board member serve as an AWA/OAHP liaison. As of the June meeting, the AWA had 34 regular members, 1 associate, 13 student, and 1 institutional member. The association checking account had a balance of \$1183.40 and the savings account had \$3534.06.

In the September Board meeting, discussions included the volunteer effort at La Push, web page and webmaster fees, communication within the Board and between the Board and membership, communication with OAHP, a proposed law enforcement workshop, member concerns about historic site evaluation guidelines, archaeology month, and the treasurer position. The Board passed one motion: to provide a \$400 payment to the webmaster for development of the new AWA web page. The next board meeting is planned for November.

Historic Preservation Plan and Collaborative— Submitted by Linda Naoi Goetz

The National Park Service (NPS) requires that each state create a statewide comprehensive historic preservation plan every five years. Staff of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), Advisory Council, Historic Trust, State Historical Society, local government, architects, city planners, Tribal representatives, archaeologists, and NPS spent over a year working on the Steering Committee to write and design the state's new document: "Strengthening Communities Through Historic Preservation." The Plan is designed to encourage community and individual preservation efforts.

I am a member of the Preservation Collaborative, an outgrowth of the Steering Committee with many of the same members. The Collaborative monitors the progress and implementation of the historic preservation plan and charts implementation of the plan's action items, meeting approximately every three months. The Collaborative has a meeting coming up on October 7 and I will provide a summary of the discussion in the next newsletter. Please let me know if you have any comments or concerns about the implementation of the Plan. All AWA members should have received a copy of this document, but if you did not, contact Greg Griffith, Deputy SHPO, (GregG@cted.wa.gov or 360-586-3073) to obtain yours.

Restoration of Afghan Heritage Sites — Submitted by Linda Naoi Goetz

I first wrote about the eradication of centuries of Afghanistan's cultural treasures in the President's Message of December 2001. In the intervening three years, multinational conservation experts, organized by UNESCO (United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization) and the Afghan ministry of culture, have met to perform a triage -- establishing an agenda of rehabilitation and restoration for several museums and cultural sites.

The experts have placed restoration of the Kabul Museum at the top of their list. The museum, and other, smaller repositories in Afghan, had its collections looted and its buildings damaged by decades of warfare. The protection of the 4th-century Bamiyan Buddhas site is lower on the list. Located in central Afghanistan, Bamiyan was a waypoint along the Silk Road where Greek, Persian, and central and south Asian art and culture was shared.

In 2001, Afghanistan's then-ruling party, the Taliban, destroyed the 120- and 175-foot-tall Buddhist statues. Although some experts hoped to rebuild the statues, plans to do so have been deferred. However, the cliffs that housed the statues, which still contain hundreds of niches decorated with religious paintings, will be stabilized immediately.

(BBC, Associated Press, and MSNBC sources were referenced for this article)

Events Calendar

Editor's Note: If you would like your conference, meeting or other event announced in the newsletter, please email the Editor by the submission deadline. The next deadline is December 1.

Plateau Conference (September 29-30, 2004) "Honoring the Heritage of the Plateau Peoples: Past, Present, and Future", Washington State University, Pullman. See <http://emmps.wsu.edu/plateauconference/index.html>

Oregon Archaeological Society (Fall Events, 2004) see <http://www.oregonarchaeological.org/events.htm>

Society for Historical Archaeology (January 5-10, 2005) York, England.

See <http://www.sha.org/About/Conferences/mt2005.htm>

Alaska Anthropological Association (March 9-12, 2005) Anchorage, Alaska.

Northwest Anthropological Conference (March 16-18, 2005) Spokane, Washington.

Society for American Archaeology (March 30-April 3, 2005) Salt Lake City, Utah.

See <http://www.saa.org/meetings/index.html>

Canadian Archaeological Association (May 11-14, 2005) Nanaimo, British Columbia.

Communications from OAH— Submitted by Stephenie Kramer

Additional GIS Digital Research Demonstrations September-November

The Washington State Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (OAH) has entered a new era of digital research. We have set up two consultant workstations that access our cultural resource databases and serve up scanned images of cultural resource documents through a GIS portal. And we are now announcing additional demonstrations of our integrated system to the consultant community beginning in September 2004. We invite you or your firm to sign up for a demonstration. We will hold the demonstrations on Tuesdays at 9:00 AM and again at 1:00 PM. Demonstrations run approximately two hours; one for the demonstration, and one for individual practice. We will continue to offer demonstrations limited to groups of 6 individuals on a weekly basis, each Tuesday at the same times, unless otherwise noted, until November 23, 2004. Please contact Zee Hill at zeeh@cted.wa.gov to reserve a demonstration date and time. This will be done on a first-come, first-served basis via email only.

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Please take note that these sessions are not to be considered GIS training, but simply an overview of our system to enable researchers to use it to their benefit. It is our sincere hope that digital research will streamline the often-tedious process of digging through OAHP records. Check our website at <http://www.oahp.wa.gov/GIS.htm> periodically to see if the demonstration schedule has been revised.

The GIS interface is ArcView 8.3 with select data layers to assist the researcher. The scanned images may be examined by means of a proprietary viewer, and the databases were developed using Microsoft Access. A printer is installed for consultant use at a fee of 15 cents per page. To safeguard the sensitive nature of the data and our agency's network as well, we have tight security in place. The consultant workstations require not only distinct logons and passwords, but will not allow any activity other than "read-only" in nature. The floppy drives, CD drives, Internet and email access have all been disabled.

Please remember that only those individuals who attend a demonstration and give one day's prior notice to OAHP before coming to do research will be allowed to use our consultant workstations. Individuals will still be able to access the paper records at OAHP with a prior appointment as they have in the past. However it is our goal to eventually have all the paper records archived and shift totally to computer workstations for research. In the future, we hope to have data available on secure servers on the web but we lack a source of funding to pursue this important management tool.

Submittal Policy for NRHP and WHR Nominations

Attention CLG Coordinators, Consultants, Nomination Authors and Sponsors: Please make note of the following procedural policies, meeting dates, and deadlines for submitting National Register and Washington Heritage Register nominations to the Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation.

Nomination Drafts: Nomination authors are required to submit nominations in draft form before the final submittal deadline. This will enable OAHP staff to provide a constructive review and offer suggestions for any needed revision. At this time, if the nomination is within a Certified Local Government (CLG), the draft nomination will be forwarded to the CLG for formal review and comment. (Important: A nomination submitted for the first time by the submittal deadline will not be guaranteed placement on the upcoming agenda of the Washington State Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP). The State Historic Preservation Officer reserves the right to schedule only those nominations considered complete and proficient for consideration by the ACHP.)

Submittal Deadlines: Completed nominations, including all required elements, must be received by the following dates. (No exceptions will be made, and faxes will not be accepted. Note that receipt must be made by the "First submittal date" to reserve a place on the next meeting agenda (if the nomination qualifies). District Nominations will be reviewed at two Advisory Council meetings before formal submittal to NPS.)

<u>First submittal date</u>	<u>Final submittal date</u>	<u>ACHP meeting date</u>
June 6, 2003	July 18, 2003	October 14, 2003
October 10, 2003	November 14, 2003	January 22-23, 2004
March 5, 2004	April 16, 2004	June 24-25, 2004, Anacortes
June 4, 2004	July 16, 2004	September 23-24, 2004, Ilwaco
October 8, 2004	November 12, 2004	January 26-27, 2005
March 2005	April 2005	June 23-24, 2005
June 2005	July 2005	September 22-23, 2005

Call for Submissions to Journal

The AWA journal, *Archaeology in Washington*, is looking for contributions for volumes 10 and 11. The journal is an annual, peer-reviewed publication with a target length of about 70 pages per issue. Typically, the journal has consisted of summary-length articles on work in progress or recently-completed research relevant to Washington archaeology. We encourage smaller articles, but will happily consider monographs up to the length of a journal issue. Please direct questions to Jerry R. Galm (jgalm@mail.ewu.edu), and send manuscripts to: Jerry R. Galm, AWA, c/o Curator of Archaeology, Burke Museum, Box 353010, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195-3010. We need your submissions to make our journal a success!

Perspectives on Lewis and Clark

Editor's Note: With the bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark expedition upon us, we invite your comments and perspectives on it and related topics. The following article by Doug Tingwall is the first submission on this theme.

Betwixt the North and the Sun-Setting: the Journey of Moncacht-Ape and an 18th-Century Perspective on Native American Origins by Douglas F. Tingwall

Was the first person to cross the North American continent in the mid-18th century a Native American elder? Since the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial is upon us, this is the first of a projected two part series describing Moncacht-Ape's significance to the Lewis and Clark expedition and how it elucidates one theory of Native American origins in the western hemisphere which may not be so unfamiliar to us today.

Two hundred years ago, a small detachment of men, one woman, an infant, and a dog embarked on a journey across the interior of western North America with the hopes of finding a relatively easy passage to the Pacific Ocean. In the process, the Lewis and Clark expedition left in its passing a landscape which would never be the same. For citizens of a fledgling republic, these vast tracts of plains, forest, and mountains embraced by innumerable rivers held the promise of new beginnings whereas for those who came before, the journey presaged an end to generations of traditional lifeways. It is appropriate that even as the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial takes center stage for the next two years, the National Museum of the American Indian on the National Mall will open its doors for the first time and acquaint or even introduce portions of the general public to a multiplicity of indigenous cultures, many of which first came into the consciousness of Euro-American society with the return of the Corps of Discovery in 1806. Given the mystique surrounding Lewis and Clark, not to mention the innumerable books and articles written about them, it is not surprising that their journey has so overshadowed the accomplishments of precursors whose explorations cast their own light onto the then mostly unknown expanses of the trans-Mississippi West. Of the many traditions that have been chronicled, perhaps none is so thought-provoking as the journey first transcribed in 1758 of a Yazoo elder named Moncacht-Ape to the utter ends of the North American continent in search of his ancestry.

Upon his departure from the Mandan villages on April 7, 1805 into "...a country at least two thousand miles in width, on which the foot of civilized man had never trodden...", Meriwether Lewis confided in his journal that the occasion was "...among the most happy of my life." Captain Lewis' enthusiasm is unmistakable and as he looked upstream his expectations as to what the expedition would find were undoubtedly influenced by two preconceptions of western geography. The first was that the sources of the Missouri would allow the Corps a relatively easy portage across a low divide or series of ridges to the headwaters of a river flowing west, not unlike those routes employed by European fur traders from Montreal into the Great Lakes region and Canadian plains since the time of Champlain. The second notion, perhaps more questionable in his mind, was an axial network of rivers including the Missouri that drained off a pyramidal mountain to each of the cardinal directions or had their origins in an interior lake. In many ways, the sources of the Missouri remained as mysterious as when its turbid waters were first recorded as the Pettikanoui "... a river of considerable size coming from the northwest, from a great distance..." by Father Jacques Marquette while

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descending the Mississippi River in 1673. Subsequent accounts only muddled an already murky picture such as Baron de Lahontan's claim of discovering a Riviere Longue which arose in a mountain-rimmed, salt lake of many inhabited islands.

Equally as puzzling was the nature of the Ourigan or River of the West, sometimes also referred to as the Beautiful River. Robert Gray discovered the mouth of the river in 1792 and bestowed the name of his flagship Columbia upon it, while subsequent excursions directed by Captain George Vancouver mapped landmarks upstream as far as Mount Hood.

Between this point and the Mandan villages lay a considerable gap that William Clark sought to fill during the winter months in 1804-1805 with the assistance of his native hosts. Although Native American contributions to frontier exploration and cartography may be tacitly acknowledged by historians, they are seldom expressed. The British mapmaker Aaron Arrowsmith had borrowed extensively from Blackfoot Chief Ac ko mok ki's sketch of the upper Missouri to fill in the blanks of his map of North America. Of his native informants, Lahontan, the great purveyor of cartographic fiction, commented that in spite of indigenous peoples' lack of western scientific principles "...they draw the most exact Maps imaginable of the Countries they're acquainted with..." Daniel Harmon, a contemporary of Lewis and Clark, observed that the natives' memory retention of landmarks was so keen that "...almost any Indian, who has passed once through a country, is able to draw so correct a chart of it...that an entire stranger...could direct his course to a particular place, several hundred miles distant, without varying a league from his object." Not all locally derived information was accurate to be sure and one wonders how much of this was attributable to native politeness, Eurocentric notions of geography, plain misunderstanding, or some combination of these factors.

The Mandan villages were both the trade and informational entrepot for the Plains and in this respect Lewis and Clark were only the latest participants in a long list of Euro-American explorers beginning in the 1730s with the Verendryes, who acquired valuable geographic information from these indigenous peoples. Chief Sha ha ka provided a sketch map of the Yellowstone River and its associated tributaries and mention was made of great cataracts on the upper Missouri. In short, when the Corps of Discovery departed from the Mandan villages that spring, they did so with the best cartographic information then available.

Packed amongst the food stuffs, trade goods, arms, medical and surveying equipment was a copy of the only book known to have been conveyed by the expedition to the Pacific Ocean and back: a 1763 English translation of Simon Le Page du Pratz' three volume *Histoire de la Louisiane*, which was loaned to Captain Lewis by his mentor Benjamin Barton in 1803. What is significant was the decision to retain this book for the remainder of the journey rather than send it down river by barge to St. Louis along with expeditionary specimens, dispatches and personal letters. Contained within its pages was a narrative and accompanying map of a purported, trans-continental journey to the Pacific Ocean. Even though centuries later, historian Bernard de Voto would label Moncacht-Ape's story as "apocryphal," what matters is that in spite of all the geographic information obtained by Lewis and Clark in winter quarters, they nevertheless held the account to be valuable enough to take with them.

Part 2 will trace the journey of Moncacht-Ape and evaluate the narrative both for its historicity and ethnographic value in understanding Native American origins.

Research Notes

Editor's Note: We welcome submissions on current research relevant to Northwest archaeology, including but not limited to: fieldwork summaries, notations of report completion, article abstracts, thesis or dissertation summaries.

Mid-Holocene Terrestrial Animal Use in the Gulf of Georgia Region: A Case Study from the Ferndale Site, Lower Nooksack River, Washington, by Randolph D. Nokes. Master's thesis, Department of Anthropology, Western Washington University, Bellingham (2004).

Faunal remains from the Ferndale site (45WH34) provide a valuable opportunity to elucidate mammal and avian resource use in the Gulf of Georgia region between 5300 and 4400 years cal. BP. The mammal and avian assemblage consists of 5,703 specimens, 876 of which were identified below the class level. At least 14 mammalian taxa and 11 avian taxa are represented. The Ferndale fauna are similar to those associated with other St. Mungo-age occupations in that cervids and beaver constitute the majority of identified specimens, yet the assemblage is unique in its large sample size, taxonomic breadth and the presence of pelagic marine mammals. Four interpretive models are used to evaluate the Ferndale fauna. Methods developed from Binford's economic utility (1978) model and an adapted version of Lyman's (1978) carcass processing model are used to compare the relative value of deer and elk in the prehistoric economy on the modern-day lower Nooksack River drainage. Results indicate that both deer and elk carcasses were transported to the site whole. However, evidence is revealed that people took a more "wasteful" approach to utilizing deer carcasses. Crader's (1997) model of meat utility and cut locations for beaver meat and pelt removal is used to determine the goals of on site beaver processing. Evidence of systematic processing associated with both meat and pelt removal is found in the form of repeated bone breakage patterns and skeletal element representation. Livingston's (1989) model of the differential density of wing and leg elements is used following Bovy (2002) to compare the Ferndale avifauna with remains recovered from other sites in the Gulf of Georgia. Evidence suggests that the inhabitants of the Ferndale site processed dabblers and divers in comparatively different ways, in contrast to the trend revealed at sites across the Gulf of Georgia/Puget Sound region.

Book Reviews— Submitted by Douglas F. Tingwall

The Last Giant of Beringia: the Mystery of the Bering Land Bridge. Dan O'Neill. 2004. Westview Press, Boulder, Colo. 231 pp. \$26.00 (cloth), ISBN 0-8133-4197-3.

Don't let the title throw you - this is not another book about cryptozoology or recovering a frozen woolly mammoth from the arctic ice pack. Anyone with an interest in Beringia and Alaskan archaeology has undoubtedly perused *Paleoecology of Beringia* and/or *The Bering Land Bridge*, but may not be familiar with the man behind much of the pioneering work found in these volumes. Dan O'Neill's *The Last Giant of Beringia* remedies this situation with his recent biographical sketch of geologist David Hopkins. I write "sketch" because the author discards an exhaustive, pedantic approach in favor of a quick-paced, straight forward narrative which follows Hopkins from his New Hampshire beginnings and traces the evolution of his USGS-based, pioneering work in Beringian paleoecology. Along the way, O'Neill explicates some arcane scientific concepts (productivity paradox, mammoth-steppe biome) for the general reader while introducing us to a cast of colorful and equally significant personages such as Eric Hulten, J. Louis Giddings, and Dale Guthrie. The text is accompanied with black and white photos and a few maps illustrating relevant geological and archaeological sites. A bibliography arranged by chapter provides a fairly extensive reference list from which the interested reader can further pursue Beringian studies. Hopkins' life as chronicled here is sometimes touching (Hopkins' romance with Joan Prewitt Hopkins; reminiscences of a seventh grade class reception) and humorous (fear of float planes) but never dull. The title is appropriate and a fitting testament to an individual's life work especially when pausing to reflect that we have only come to see so far by standing on the shoulders of giants like Dave Hopkins.

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Epic Wanderer: David Thompson & the Mapping of the Canadian West. D'Arcy Jenish. 2004. University of Nebraska Press, Lincoln, Neb. 309 pp. \$35.00 (cloth) ISBN 0-8032-2600-4.

Writing over a century and a half ago, Dr. John J. Bigsby described his colleague David Thompson as having "...a very powerful mind, and a singular faculty of picture making. He can create a wilderness...or climb the Rocky Mountains with you in a snow storm, so clearly and palpably, that only shut your eyes and you hear the crack of the rifle, or feel snow flakes melt on your cheeks as he talks." This vivid quality resonates in Thompson's own memoirs as embodied in his monumental *Narrative* and therein, I imagine, lies one of the difficulties of a modern biographer in chronicling this remarkable explorer's life - how can one improve upon the original story? First published in Canada last year, D'Arcy Jenish's *Epic Wanderer* is the most recent, welcome addition to a limited body of work documenting Thompson's life and accomplishments. But whereas previous books only focus on the same period covered in the *Narrative*, 1784-1812, Jenish's biography is commendable in devoting the last third of his book to Thompson's later years including work on the US-Canadian boundary survey, personal tragedy, and compilation of memoirs and the monumental Map of the North-West Territory. The book is divided into two further parts: the first focusing on childhood through his employment with the Hudson's Bay Company where a broken femur launched Thompson's life's work, and the second part which follows his explorations for the Northwest Company. There are some gaps in Jenish's account that cloud Thompson's significance as a primary source for Plains Indian history - the introduction of the horse and smallpox epidemic. Also no real mention is made of his earlier travels and mapping of the shores of Lake Superior which prompted Alexander MacKenzie's admiration. Not surprisingly, the first two sections of Jenish's book borrow extensive passages from Thompson's own writings while placing his explorations in a larger historical context. An afterword describes how geologist J.B. Tyrell rediscovered, edited, and published Thompson's *Narrative* at the end of the 19th century but no mention is made of Elliott Coues' contributions.

The book's front and endboards reproduce Thompson's map of North America and the text is accompanied by numerous reproductions of period etchings as well as the explorer's own sketches and journal entries. Jenish draws from a fairly extensive bibliography but noticeably lacking are journal sources such as T.C. Elliott's articles. Regardless of what other historians such as Richard Glover think of this explorer, the extent of his accomplishments cannot be denied. Over the course of his lifetime, David Thompson mapped 1.5 million square miles of North America on his own initiative and chronicled over 50,000 miles of perambulations in 40 volumes of field notes rich in ethnographic, historical, geological, biological, and climatological information.

D'Arcy Jenish has done an excellent job illuminating some of the less well known aspects of Thompson's career but I suspect the authoritative biography has yet to be written (I am eagerly awaiting Victor Hopwood's work-in-progress). Thompson's writings represent a documentary treasure trove waiting to be discovered and we can only hope that someone may edit and publish this corpus in its entirety such as Moulton has done with the Lewis and Clark journals. Hopefully, Jenish's book will increase public awareness of Thompson who has remained in relative obscurity for far too long. I highly recommend this biography and encourage all interested parties to use it as a springboard to explore the original journals and *Narrative* - you won't be disappointed.

Mapping the Trans-Mississippi West. Carl I Wheat. 2004. Martino Publishing, Mansfield Centre, Conn. 3 vols. 1641 pp. \$350.00 (cloth), ISBN 1-57898-002-X.

This is not so much a book review as an announcement and cause for celebration. Carl I Wheat's magnum opus of western exploration and cartography spanning the period of 1540-1884 has been republished in a limited release and needs no description. The original 5 volume set (which now goes for \$5,000-\$6,000, that is if it can be found) has been combined into three smaller volumes; the only drawback is that the map details in this new edition are at times difficult if not impossible to make out in some of the reproductions. Suffice it to say any student of US frontier history/exploration and practicing archaeologists should not be without these books. So take out a loan if you have to - the investment will spare trips to special collections.

WASHINGTON ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH 2004

Special Events, October 1 through October 31, 2004

Washington Archaeology Month consists of a series of statewide events held in local communities to educate the public about the extensive archaeological history of Washington state, and the importance of protecting these valuable resources. More information and events are available at www.oahp.wa.gov or by calling (360) 586-3065.

Footways to Freeways Lecture Series (FREE)

AUBURN: Thursday, October 28th 7 – 8:30pm, Auburn Library, 1102 Auburn Way, Auburn

PRESTON: Thursday, October 7th at 7 – 8:30pm, Preston Community Center, 5625 310 Avenue SE, Preston, Preston

SEATTLE: Thursday, October 14, at 7:00 – 8:30pm, King Street Center, 201 S. Jackson St., Seattle

This event will focus on the history of roads in King County, starting with Native American footpaths, and ending with the Interstate system. We will explore the development of establishing and paying for roads, as well as road construction techniques and route selection. Historic maps with overlays of our modern county transportation system will be featured, along with historic and modern photographs. Come and learn more about your favorite area or historic road at this action-packed and intriguing multi-media lecture! For directions or more information, please call 206.296.8085 or email fennelle.miller@metrokc.gov.

CLE ELUM: Saturday, October 9th, Hourly from 9-3, Historic Walking Tour, South Cle Elum Depot, 801 Milwaukee Ave, S. Cle Elum (FREE)

Walk the ruins of a historic railyard and discover Washington's rich railroad history. See first-hand preservation efforts of culturally significant archaeology and historic buildings. Learn about the advancement of railroad technology and how Washington played a roll in these developments. Contact Mark Borleske at markseawa@msn.com.

COLVILLE: Wednesday, October 6, 2004, 7pm, Archaeology on Historic Farms, Ranches and Forests, USDA Agricultural Services Center, 232 Williams Lake Road, Colville, WA (FREE)

Slide presentation exploring the region's archeology and history. Learn about new initiatives for stewardship of sites on private property. Meet archeologists working in your local area and bring in your artifacts for identification or collection documentation! Contact Kathleen E. Callum, Cultural Resource Specialist, NRCS, (509) 343-2271 or Kevin Lyons, Tribal Archaeologist, Kalispel Tribe of Indians, (509) 445-1147

DARRINGTON AREA: Saturday, October 9, 2004, All day beginning at 9 am, Hiking Tour of Cultural Modified Trees (FREE)

Hike, see, and learn about real Culturally Modified Trees in the Mt. Baker Snoqualmie National Forest. Dr. Astrida Blukis Onat will lead a hike and talk about the trees and their cultural importance. This hike is for experienced hikers of all ages, but it will involve 3-4 hours of hiking on established but steep trails. Wear appropriate clothing and bring a sack lunch and water. Registration is required. Directions to the meeting place will be provided upon registration. Call Stephanie Kramer at (360) 586-3083 for more information or to register.

FT. LEWIS: Thursday, October 7, 2004, 7pm, Oral Presentation: Celebrating the Hudson's Bay Company Heritage of Fort Lewis: A Legacy Revealed by History and Archaeology, Ft. Lewis Golf Clubhouse at exit 116 off of I-5. Open to the public, no military ID required. (FREE)

Historian Drew Crooks will examine in a slide presentation the great impact of the Hudson's Bay Company (HBC) on the nineteenth century development of the land that later became Fort Lewis. Key events in the history of the HBC in the area will first be briefly reviewed. Then the influence of the British Company on Native Americans, American settlers, and the landscape will be discussed in more detail. The talk will conclude with a look at the ways that history and archaeology have revealed the HBC legacy of Fort Lewis. Call Dale Sadler for information: 253-966-1769.

LACEY: Thursday, October 14, 2004 7-8pm, Oral presentation: Adventures in Historical Archaeology: Recent Excavations at Chambers Prairie and Fairhaven, Washington, Lacey Community Center, 6729 Pacific Avenue, Lacey, WA (FREE)

The Lacey Museum invites you to a program that will look at two examples of historical archaeological work in Washington State. Archaeologists from Northwest Archaeological Associates, Inc., will discuss their 2004 excavations at the Andrew Chambers Homestead on Chambers Prairie (Thurston County) and a historic saloon in Fairhaven in Bellingham. Discoveries at these sites have shed light on late 19th century life in Washington Territory. Call Drew Crooks and Andrea Taylor for information: 360-438-0209

GOLDENDALE: Everyday 9am to 5pm, Specimens from the Corps of Discovery, Maryhill Museum of Art, SR-14, Goldendale, WA
The Maryhill Museum of Art hosts an exhibit of study specimens from the Corps of Discovery, including early 20th Century photographs, American Indian basketry and beadwork, and contemporary works of art. It centers on 12 to 15 plants documenting what Lewis and Clark saw, how American Indians viewed and used the plants, and what inspiration contemporary artists have drawn from them.

OLYMPIA: Oct. 20, 2004, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM, First Peoples of Western Washington: Archaeology of the Ice Age, USDA- Natural Resources Conservation Service, US Forest Service Office, Olympic National Forest, 1835 Black Lake Blvd.

A slideshow presentation on the earliest peoples of Western Washington, the Clovis-era people of the last Ice Age. The talk will include a discussion of the changing landscape of the area during and since the time of the last great ice sheets. Attendees are welcome to bring artifacts they may have from their personal collections for identification by Scott Williams, NCRS Archaeologist

OREGON: Oregon Archaeology Celebration, Celebrate Oregon's Rich and Diverse Cultural Heritage, September 10 – October 10, 2004, For information on events and activities, view www.shpo.state.or.us.

PORT ANGELES, WA: Thursday, October 7 at 7:00 – 9:00pm, The Tse-whit-zen Site: Preliminary Results of Data Recovery Excavation, Larson Anthropological Archaeological Services Limited and Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, Port Angeles Public Library, 2210 S. Peabody, Port Angeles, WA 98362 (FREE)

The Klallam village of Tse-whit-zen was a large winter settlement on the western shoreline of Port Angeles Harbor, near the base of Ediz Hook. Larson Anthropological Archaeological Services Limited identified more than four house structures during archaeological data recovery excavations between April and September 2004. Archaeological deposits date from approximately 1,700 years ago to the contact period. Archaeologists and members of the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe will discuss archeological excavation of the site, and preliminary results regarding the structures and other features throughout the village, and the diverse array of bone and antler tools. Contact Tina Gano 253-858-1411.

RICHLAND: Thursday and Friday, October 21 to 22, 2004, ARPA Training for Law Enforcement & Cultural Resource Professionals, HAMMER Training Facility, Richland (\$250, Adults only)

The Cultural Resources Protection Program of the of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR CRPP) will provide a unique tribal perspective to the teaching of this 2 day training. An overview of archaeological resources crimes will be addressed so that participants understand the laws, statutes, and regulations of ARPA. Simulated archaeological sites will be looted for a hands-on crime scene investigation. Contact Julie Longenecker at (509) 946-1859. Sponsored by CTUIR CRPP, OAHP, HAMMER, and Hanford Cultural Resources Laboratory.

SEATTLE: Northwest Native Survival Strategies: Exploring Archaeology, Sunday, October 24, 2004, 10:00am – 4:00pm, Burke Museum, University of Washington, Children and Students \$5, Adults \$8, Seniors, \$6.50

Imagine yourself living in the Pacific Northwest thousands of years ago, long before the westward settlers came. How did you survive? What did you eat? Where did you go when the weather turned bad? These questions and many more will be addressed in this years Learning from Archaeology family program at the Burke Museum. Participate in hands-on activities for adults and children, and listen to native Puyallup storyteller Roger Fernandes share stories about the southern Duwamish people. For questions, please contact MaryAnn Barron at 206.543.9762. Webpage: www.washington.edu/burkemuseum/index.html

VANCOUVER: Saturday, October 2nd, at 11:00am and 2:00pm, Kid's Dig, Fort Vancouver Historic Site, Vancouver
Children ages 8-12 are introduced to archaeology by participating in a "dig", mapping their artifact finds, and filling out site forms. As they excavate and screen with the help of park staff and volunteers, we will discuss how we learn from archaeology, and why we should preserve these pieces of our past. Each two-hour session is limited to 20 children, on a first-come, first-served basis. Contact Bill DeBerry 360-696-7659 ext. 13

VANCOUVER: Saturday, October 9th, at 11:00am & 1pm, Archaeological Walking Tour, Fort Vancouver Historic Site, Vancouver
Walk over layers of history (literally) with a National Park Service archaeologist On October 9 at 11:00, one of the Fort Vancouver archaeologists will take visitors on a one-hour walk on the Parade Ground of Vancouver Barracks. This tour will tell the compelling history of the Pacific Northwest's first U.S. Army headquarters through the eyes of archaeology. You will learn about how the fort has changed through time and what traces of the past are still visible on the parade ground. In the afternoon, at 1:00 PM, a Fort Vancouver archaeologist will take visitors through Fort Vancouver and the employee village outside the palisade. You will stroll through 150 years of history -- from the Hudson's Bay Company's Fort Vancouver and the U.S. Army's Vancouver Barracks to the Civilian Conservation Corps -- while learning about the science of archaeology, how past activities affected the landscape, and the ways in which the National Park Service uses archaeology to accurately reconstruct buildings and tell the stories of history. Contact Doug Wilson at 360-696-7659 ext. 25

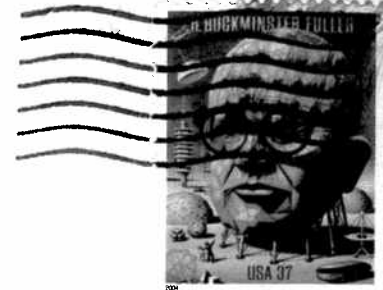
WANAPUM VILLAGE: Wednesday-Thursday, October 20-21, Archaeology Days at Grant County PUD, one mile south of Wanapum Dam off Highway 243 (FREE)

Wednesday speakers 8:30am to 3:45pm will cover tribal CRM (Umatilla, Colville, Yakama, Nez Perce), Plateau Paleoindians, and specific sites (Ozette, Sentinel Gap, Oregon coast). Thursday "Youth Day" 9:00am-3:00pm with hands-on children's activities and demonstrations. Both days there will be demonstrations of tule mat making, hemp string twining, beading, corn husk weaving, and flintknapping, and noon lunch will be provided. Sponsored by Wanapum Heritage Center and Cultural Resource Department. Contact Wanapum Heritage Center at 509-854-5088 ext. 2571.



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