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President's Message

Greetings! Since I last wrote you, I taught a field school in Grant County for 18 students from Central Washington University, traveled to Vancouver, Washington to attend the Washington state ACHP and Preservation Collaborative meetings, and reviewed about a half-dozen Washington State Excavation Permits. I have also discussed the status of CRM in Washington with DAHP staff, archaeologists in Federal and private settings, and numerous undergraduate and graduate level students of CRM archaeology. Some concerns, trends, and development areas are apparent to me from these experiences.

Concerns: October 28, 2005 was the last day for the western office of the national ACHP in Denver, Colorado. The office is being closed and the resources and support that it gave the western states with their huge federal landscapes are not being re-absorbed, but instead removed. This cutback effectively leaves much of the West without the resources we had for managing and working with archaeological and non-archaeological cultural resources. The reasoning for this action is not at all clear to me at this time. I have been on the ACHP website, looked into hearings on the ACHP, and wondered what impact this will really have on doing CRM archaeology in Washington state.

Trends: I continue to be impressed by the level of work my colleagues are proposing when applying for excavation permits on Washington State and private lands. I am very happy the work is happening and that folks are taking it very seriously. However, I continue to see a lack of justification for excavated volumes proposed for evaluating a particular site deposit and explicit sampling rationale that is tied to research questions. The research questions are present, but the logical connections to them through the techniques used in the physical investigation are often lacking. In response to my comments, I frequently hear or see justification relegated to "that is not a requirement of the permitting process." This is a disturbing trend, as the usefulness of these types of data sets cannot be evaluated before they are acquired.

Development Areas: Recent discussions among the AWA board of directors and other practitioners of CRM in our state suggest some areas for development, in which AWA can play a lead role. How can we do better at what we are doing? The first resource to this end is our own members, and from what they have been telling me we all need to get better training or do a better job at

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training/teaching. Here is an initial list of desired skills, abilities, and knowledge that practitioners of CRM should be able to do so that we generate useful scientific data about the past. (I thank Guy Mora and Jackie Cook for brainstorming this initial list.) Desired abilities: how to prepare a proposal; how to prepare a budget; how to attend a meeting with agencies, proponents, tribes, and the public; and how to interact with clients. Desired skills: computer software (e.g., Excel, Access, GIS); how to throw dirt into a screen; how to converse with your buddies and keep working at the same time; and how to prepare a collection for storage and curation. Desired knowledge: state guidelines and requirements; the meaning of consultation; the character of a TCP; and all aspects of NHPA and NAGPRA (from actual experience or role playing).

I can see where workshops on some of these topics would greatly benefit not just my students but my CRM work too. I think this is a great start and will keep adding to the list as potential topics for future AWA sponsored workshops are forwarded. Please send me your ideas, mccutchp@cwu.edu.

Patrick McCutcheon

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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.

Missing Member Addresses

At the time we went to press, we did not have current address information for Cheryl Miller or Kinsey Oleman. If you know the whereabouts of these members, please contact AWA Treasurer Pam Trautman at trautmanPJ@juno.com. Thanks!

Journal Update and Call for Submissions

The AWA journal, *Archaeology in Washington*, is completed for Volume 10 and in production. Volumes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9 are now out of print, but Volume 6 is still available (see back cover of this newsletter).

We are seeking contributions for Volume 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!

The AWA website is at <http://www.cwu.edu/~mccutchp/archaeology/index.html>

AWA Board Meeting Summary– Submitted by Patrick McCutcheon

An AWA Board of Directors meeting was held in North Bend on October 22, 2005. Like most of the board meetings it is rare that all are present, but a quorum was achieved. The treasurer noted all of our journal volume copies (except for Volume 6) are sold out. The board noted that canceling the summer event was unfortunate but necessary due to lack of interest (see "Summer Event Canceled" note below). The board discussed four workshops for the coming year. Potential workshop topics include (1) law enforcement, (2) ARPA, (3) human and non-human bone identification, and (4) curation and collections management. Look for these over the next year or so. The board agreed to update the AWA website to make it more current, functional, and informative. The board discussed the Graving Dock and continues to be concerned for all involved. The board discussed the review of Washington state excavation permits and agreed to send east-side applications to Patrick McCutcheon and west-side applications to Gary Wessen. We discussed the upcoming bicentennial for David Thompson and relevance to Washington archaeology.

The DAHP representative noted that DAHP standards and guidelines and the rules for them are now being reviewed. They have requested that AWA's membership be active in that review. DAHP is also interested in AWA's involvement in developing inadvertent find protocols for local officials and archaeologists, and the board agreed to lend support and help.

The AWA's next Annual General Meeting will be held in Seattle at the Northwest Anthropological Conference in the spring of 2006.

Summer Event Canceled– Submitted by Patrick McCutcheon

The 2005 summer event at Lake Ozette was canceled due to lack of interest. We received four inquiries and several commitments to show up, but the board agreed that the organizational work required was not justified for so few attendees. The previous summer event in 2004 was attended by only a single person. What originally motivated the board to try this were the 20 to 30 hands of interest raised at the preceding AGM meeting. The current board is no longer interested in pursuing the summer event; perhaps we are all too busy in the summer doing archaeology. The board is committed to exploring other means of producing group events around the topic of Washington archaeology. If you have ideas please let us know.

Dr. William Andrefsky Elected RPA President

William Andrefsky, Professor of Anthropology at Washington State University, has been elected President of the Register of Professional Archaeologists (RPA). Dr. Andrefsky will serve two years as President-Elect (2006, 2007) and two years as President (2008, 2009). The RPA is a national-level organization for professional certification for practicing archaeologists in the United States. For more information, see the RPA website at <http://www.rpanet.org/>.

Is Your AWA Membership Current?

If you have not yet paid dues for 2005, please take this opportunity to renew. You may renew by mail using the form on the back of this newsletter, or on our web page (see page 1). Your mailing label indicates the last year for which your dues are paid. Please note that, in the interest of saving production costs, we will no longer be sending newsletters to members who are more than a year behind on their membership dues.

Native American Scholarship for Archaeology Methods Training

The Society for American Archaeology (SAA) is pleased to announce the SAA Arthur C. Parker Scholarship and National Science Foundation (NSF) Scholarships for Archaeological Training for Native Americans and Native Hawaiians for the year 2006. Together, these scholarship programs will provide four awards of \$3000 each to support training in archaeological methods, including fieldwork, analytical techniques, and curation.

These scholarships are intended for current students-high school seniors, college undergraduates, and graduate students-and personnel of Tribal or other Native cultural preservation programs. High school students must be currently enrolled as seniors to be eligible. Undergraduates and graduate students must be enrolled in an accredited college or university. Native Americans and Pacific Islanders from the U.S., including U.S. Trust Territories, and Indigenous peoples from Canada are eligible for these scholarships. While documentation of Native identity is required, an individual does not have to be enrolled in a Native group, of certified Indian status, or a member of a group formally recognized by the U.S. or Canadian federal governments to be eligible for these scholarships.

These scholarships will support attendance at training programs in archaeological methods offered by accredited colleges or universities. Other types of archaeological methods training programs will be considered on a case by case basis. The scholarship awards may be used to cover tuition and expenses. The cost of tuition for an award recipient will be paid directly to the training program.

Individuals may apply for these scholarships themselves, or they may be nominated by a current professor, high school teacher, or cultural preservation program supervisor. More information on the submission process and the necessary application/nomination form are available on the SAA web site under "Native American Scholarships" at <http://www.saa.org/student/index.html>. The application materials must be postmarked by December 15, 2005. For further information, contact Scholarship Applications, Society for American Archaeology, 900 Second Street NE #12, Washington, DC 20002-3557, telephone (202) 789- 8200, Fax (202) 789-0284, e-mail info@saa.org. Your questions will be relayed to someone who can assist you.

New Guide Highlights Disaster Relief for Cultural Institutions

A new free booklet called "Before and After Disasters: Federal Funding for Cultural Institutions" has been produced by the Heritage Emergency National Task Force. The booklet provides information on 15 federal grant and loan programs to help cultural institutions and historic sites prepare for and recover from disasters. Although it makes specific mention of hurricanes, it may be used for any disaster relief, including volcanic eruptions and earthquake preparedness. The programs described in "Before and After Disasters" help nonprofit arts centers, archives, conservation and historic preservation organizations, historical societies, historic sites, libraries, museums, and theaters, among others.

Up to 50 copies of "Before and After Disasters" can be ordered at no charge from the FEMA publications office. Phone 800-480-2520 and ask for FEMA publication #533. The 32-page booklet can also be downloaded from Heritage Preservation's Web site at <http://www.heritagepreservation.org/PDFS/Disaster.pdf>

The Heritage Emergency National Task Force has helped to make disaster preparedness and response a higher priority for cultural heritage organizations across the country. The Task Force-an initiative of Heritage Preservation and the Federal Emergency Management Agency-is a partnership of 40 government agencies and national service organizations. Learn the latest information on hurricane recovery efforts and find valuable disaster resources at the Task Force Web site, <http://www.heritageemergency.org>. Questions can be directed by phone to 202-233-0800, or via email to TaskForce@heritagepreservation.org.

Upcoming Public Lecture on Archaeology of Queen Charlotte Islands – Submitted by Bradford Andrews

On Monday, November 21st Dr. Martin Magne (Parks Canada) will speak on early human occupations in the Queen Charlotte Islands at the Pacific Lutheran University campus. Research on the Queen Charlotte Islands continues to expand the boundaries of what we know about the prehistory of the northern west coast. In 2004, archaeologists working for Parks Canada excavated the earliest known site in British Columbia (10,500 BP), identified another spectacular water-inundated site with preserved wooden artifacts (9400 BP), and recovered a stone tool 50 m deep on the sea floor. The story of human adaptation to this area is directly tied to post-glacial environmental change, particularly changes in relative sea levels. Dr. Magne's presentation will include the results of new studies aimed at predicting and locating archaeological sites in relatively shallow water (30 m). Dr. Magne is Manager of Cultural Resource Services for Parks Canada, overseeing work in British Columbia and Alberta, and an Adjunct Associate Professor with the Department of Archaeology at the University of Calgary. His talk will be held at 7:00 pm in Room 101 of the Administration Building (Pacific Lutheran University, Parkland, Tacoma). The lecture is free and open to the public. For more information contact Dr. Bradford W. Andrews at andrewbw@plu.edu or (253) 535-8389.

Burke Museum Receives Grant to Save Records– Submitted by Laura Phillips

Thanks to the many archaeologists around the state who sent supportive letters, the Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture was awarded \$28,000 to reunite the Office of Public Archaeology archives with their respective artifact collections. This grant from the Washington Preservation Initiative will facilitate the transfer of field notes, photographs and maps from the UW Special Collections to the Burke Museum. These archives, which represent significant archaeological work conducted during the 1970s and early 1980s in Washington State, have been stored at the UW Special Collections since OPA disbanded. The documents are not organized by site, and are disassociated from the objects. The transfer of the OPA archives will include rehousing in curation-quality containers, ensuring their long-term preservation and increased accessibility.

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 15.

Society for Historical Archaeology, Conference 2006 (January 11-15, 2006) Sacramento, California. For more information, see <http://www.archaeocommons.org/sha2006/>

Alaska Consortium of Zooarchaeologists, Workshop on Butchery (March 1, 2006) Kodiak, Alaska. Information is being added as it becomes available at <http://www.akzooarch.org>

Alaska Anthropological Association, 33rd Annual Meeting (March 1-4, 2006) Kodiak, Alaska. Meeting information will be posted on the aaa website as it becomes available at <http://www.alaska.net/~oha/aaa/>

Northwest Anthropological Conference (March 29- April 1, 2006) Seattle, Washington. Information is being added as it becomes available at http://www.washington.edu/burkemuseum/NWAC/NWAC_Index.htm

Society for American Archaeology, 71st Annual Meeting (April 26-30, 2006) San Juan, Puerto Rico. For more information, see <http://www.saa.org/meetings/index.html>

Communications from OAHP– Submitted by Stephenie Kramer

DAHP Seeking Comments on Proposed Rule Amendments

As you are aware, the Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) was formed during the 2005 legislative session. We are now beginning the process of permanent rule adoption. Permanent rules have been drafted. We are now seeking comments on the specific rule language of any or all of the following rules: (1) Archaeological Excavation and Removal Permit (WAC 25-48), (2) Registration of Historic Archaeological Resources on State Owned Aquatic Lands (WAC 25-46), (3) State Environmental Policy Act Rules (WAC 25-42), (4) Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (WAC 25-12). The draft rules are available on our website at www.dahp.wa.gov.

Comments will be accepted at the following public hearings:

November 8, 2005, 1:00-3:00 PM, at Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture, Eric A. Johnston Memorial Auditorium, 2316 W. First Avenue, Spokane, WA 99204

November 16, 2005, 2:00-4:00 PM, at PSC Building, 1300 Franklin Street, Room 680, Vancouver, WA 98666

November 17, 2005, 2:30-4:30 PM, at Burke Museum, University of Washington, 17th Avenue NE and NE 45th Street, Seattle, WA 98195

Your attendance at the public hearing is not required to make comments. You are welcome to send comments via U. S. mail, fax at (360) 586-3067 or E-mail to Stephenie.Kramer@dahp.wa.gov. Comments are due by **November 23, 2005**.

Research Notes

Resource Intensification and Resource Depression in the Pacific Northwest of North America: a Zooarchaeological Review, by Virginia L. Butler (Portland State University) and Sarah K. Campbell (Western Washington University). *Journal of World Prehistory* 18(4):327-405. (2004)

In the Pacific Northwest of North America, researchers routinely suggest changes in human use of animals explain hunter-gatherer organizational changes and development of cultural complexity. For example, most models developed to explain developing cultural complexity invoke salmon in some fashion. Yet until recently, fish remains were not carefully studied and more generally, zooarchaeological evidence has not been systematically used to test models of culture change. This study reviews the 10,000 year old faunal record in the Pacific Northwest to test predictions drawn from models of resource intensification, resource depression and hunter-gatherer organizational strategies. The records from two sub-areas, the South-Central Northwest Coast (Puget Sound/Gulf of Georgia) and the Northern Columbia Plateau, are examined in detail, representing 63 archaeological sites. While minor changes in animal use are evident, the overall record is characterized by stability rather than change.

Interested readers may download a copy of the article from Virginia Butler's web page at <http://web.pdx.edu/~virginia/publications.htm>

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Burial Terminology: A Guide for Researchers, by Roderick Sprague (University of Idaho). AltaMira Press; \$34.95, Paper, 0-7591-0841-2, 288 pp.; \$80.00, Cloth, 0-7591-0840-4, 288 pp. For more information, see the Archaeology section at <http://www.altamirapress.com/>.

With archaeological practices being as varied as the cultures they study, little advance has been made to standardize the nomenclature used in the Western scientific world to describe the physical aspect of burial and other forms of body disposal, which would allow researchers to describe and precisely compare these unique and revealing practices. Prominent archaeologist Roderick Sprague finally presents a long-overdue and much-needed logical outline of the variables that should be listed to describe bodies, grave goods, and tombs, establishing standard terms for the archaeologists who excavate these burials. Drawing from examples and terminology in historical archaeology, prehistory, ethnography, and forensic anthropology, this well illustrated, practical, and user-friendly reference text will be indispensable to all researchers in these and related fields.

Roderick Sprague is Professor Emeritus of Anthropology and Laboratory of Anthropology Director Emeritus from the University of Idaho, Moscow, where he taught for 30 years.

Contents: Chapter 1, Introduction; Chapter 2, Historical Background; Chapter 3, The Field Guide; Chapter 4, Discussion of the Classification (Form of Disposal; Body Preparation; Individuality; Articulation; Position; Deposition; Orientation, Alignment, and Facing; Grave Goods or Inclusions; Disposal Container; Features; Description of Disposal Area; Demography; Excavation; Data Recording); References; Name Index; Subject Index.

Chinese American Death Rituals: Respecting the Ancestors, edited by Sue Fawn Chung (University of Nevada, Las Vegas) and Priscilla Wegars (University of Idaho). AltaMira Press; \$34.95, Paper, 0-7591-0734-3, 304 pp.; \$80.00, Cloth, 0-7591-0733-5, 304 pp. For more information, see Asian American Studies at <http://www.altamirapress.com/>

Chinese American Death Rituals examines Chinese American funerary rituals and cemeteries from the late nineteenth century until the present in order to understand the importance of Chinese funerary rites and their transformation through time. The authors in this volume discuss the meaning of funerary rituals and the social practices that have been influenced by tradition. Shaped by individual beliefs, customs, religion, and environment, Chinese Americans have resolved, in a variety of ways, the tensions between assimilation into the mainstream culture and their strong Chinese heritage. This volume expertly describes and analyzes Chinese American cultural retention and transformation in rituals after death.

Sue Fawn Chung is an associate professor of history at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She is an advisor to the National Trust for Historic Preservation, a member of the NTHP's Diversity Council, and an advisor to Preserve Nevada, the statewide preservation organization. She serves on the Board of Museums and History for the state of Nevada. Priscilla Wegars is the founder and volunteer curator of the University of Idaho's Asian American Comparative Collection, a repository of artifacts and documentary materials essential for the study of Asian American archaeological sites, economic contributions, and cultural history. She edited *Hidden Heritage: Historical Archaeology of the Overseas Chinese* (1993) and wrote *Polly Bemis: A Chinese American Pioneer* (2003).

Contents: Introduction, Sue Fawn Chung and Priscilla Wegars; Chapter One, A History of Chinese Death Ritual in China and California, Wendy L. Rouse; Chapter Two, Cantonese Rites for Death and Ghost-Spirits in an American City, Paul G. Chace; Chapter Three, Archaeological Excavations at Virginiatown's Chinese Cemeteries, Wendy L. Rouse; Chapter Four, Chinese American Funerary and Burial Practices in Elko County, Nevada; Sue Fawn Chung, Fred P. Frampton, and Timothy W. Murphy; Chapter Five, Chinese Cemeteries and Burial Practices in the Pacific Northwest, Terry Abraham and Priscilla Wegars; Chapter Six, Remembering Ancestors in Hawai'i, Sue Fawn Chung and Reiko Neizman; Chapter Seven, The Chinese Mortuary Tradition in San Francisco Chinatown, Linda Sun Crowder; Chapter Eight, Bringing the Ancestors to America, Roberta S. Greenwood.



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