Message from the Chair

Antoinette Martinez

One of the top stories in California these past two years has been the fiscal crisis in higher education, a process that has meant millions in budget cuts, reduced class offerings, fewer openings for students, and increased student fees and tuition. In addition, the university has struggled through the process of creating a new general education program, substituting the previous “themes” with “pathways,” and is currently attempting to reorganize the structure of the colleges on campus. Needless to say, these events have added layers of work on top of already heavy teaching, research, and service loads. Yet, the Department of Anthropology has much to celebrate; the accomplishments of our faculty, staff, graduate and undergraduate students between August of 2010 and December of 2011 have been impressive and the department continues to grow in numbers, strength and character. It is beyond the ken of this newsletter to provide a comprehensive record of our accomplishments but here are some representative highlights!

Highlights

Eric Bartelink was awarded Outstanding Research Mentor 2011-2012, a university level honor and one of only four awards given annually by the Faculty Recognition and Support Committee (FRAS) in recognition of our programs that enhance and maintain the tradition of high quality education, scholarship and service at this university. Dean Gayle Hutchinson, and Provost Sandra Flake had approved a job search for a tenure-track position in archaeology, which has since been cancelled due to current budget cuts. However we are looking forward to reopening that search in the future. Frank Bayham has FERPed (Faculty Early Retirement Program), but will be around the department long enough to share his experience with a new faculty member.

The Department of Anthropology and the Northeast Information Center (NEIC) played a key role in bringing the 26th Annual California Indian Conference to the CSU Chico campus. The university hosted one the most successful and largest conferences in the history of the CIC. Around 700 participants had the opportunity to attend four days of sessions, films, concerts, and youth activities. The California Indian Conference was only one component of the department’s yearlong celebration of the Ishi Centennial, the one-hundred-year anniversary of Ishi’s transition from his Yahi homeland to the world of anthropologists. Kristina Crawford, graduate student, and Antoinette Martinez organized a symposium on Ishi at the Society for American Archaeology in which several of our faculty and grad students participated. Many of the themes from the Ishi symposium were repeated at the well received and well attended Anthropology Forum Ishi speaker series for Spring 2011. Finally, the Valene L. Smith Museum of Anthropology has completed an impressive exhibit for the Ishi centennial; Coming Home: Ishi’s Long Journey (Dec. 2011-July 2012)
Physical Anthropology

The Department of Anthropology’s forensic team has been particularly busy. According to P. Willey’s calculations the forensic caseload for 2011 has been the largest in memory, averaging more than one case-person-search/week. These include field searches and recoveries, analyses and reports of human remains, analyses and reports of non-human remains, and case files reviewed for outside agencies.

Eric Bartelink achieved early tenure for Fall 2011 and will be enjoying a sabbatical in Fall 2012. He recently was awarded $18,500.00 in Student Learning Fees for his proposal: Human Identification Laboratory Curation Project as well as a Research Foundation Scholars Award, Fall 2010 competition for his proposal, Bioarchaeological Signatures in Prehistoric Central California: A Paleopathological and Geochemical Study of Human Diet and Health in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and San Francisco Bay Area. Eric Bartelink also collaborated with Melanie Beasley, an alumna, for the outstanding paper at the Society for American Archaeology.

Cultural Anthropology

Brian Brazeal has successfully established a program in visual anthropology. The Advanced Laboratory for Visual Anthropology (ALVA) is an excellent example of a transformative model of pedagogy, incorporating anthropological principles, ethnographic methods, film production, and community involvement.

Brian Brazeal, won Outstanding Project Director, in part for his $287,000 NSF grant and the Research Foundation Scholars Award, Fall 2010 competition for his proposal, Documentary Film on the Zambian Emerald Trade.

Jesse Dizard was presented with the Paul Persons Sustainability Award in May 2011 and has been elected President of the Southwestern Anthropological Association for 2011-2012.

David Eaton leaves on sabbatical to continue his research in Africa and Stacy Schaefer has returned from her productive sabbatical.

Archaeology

Georgia Fox’s National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) $14,000 contract for the Two Brothers Project will be highlighted in BSS’s Vanguard. (http://www.csuchico.edu/bss/newsletters/bss_vanguard_vol5.pdf)

Frank Bayham has FERPed, but will continue to direct the Archaeological Research Program (ARP). With the assistance of the Archaeology Lab technician, Kevin Dalton, the Archaeological Research Program has procured over $90,000 for archaeological survey contracts and the curation endowment. All of these activities have provided experience or employment for undergraduate as well as graduate students.

Kevin Dalton, Archaeology Lab Supervisor, was awarded $15,000 for his Student Learning Fees proposal, Hands-On Archaeology at Chico State, for Fall 2011. This award will improve the quality of learning and the overall student experience associated with archaeological field classes in the Department of Anthropology.

The long history of offering the Zooarchaeology and Field Ecology field course (ZOF[E) at the Eagle Lake Biological Field Station through CSU Chico has ended. However, Jack Broughton, Department of Anthropology alum, will continue offering the course at Eagle Lake but through the University of Utah.
Masters Program

The Masters Program continues to attract high quality students and prepare students for doctoral programs and careers in all disciplines of anthropology. Our productive graduate students presented 19 papers and posters at national and state conferences in 2010-2011; numerous students attended conferences. In 2010 – 2011, 12 MA theses were completed, including topics such as prehistoric scalping, best museum practices, taphonomic signatures of animal scavenging and Eastern Mediterranean foundling narratives.

Karen Smith Gardener, MA student, won Outstanding Student Paper at the 2011 Society for California Archaeology conference for her research on isotopes and weaning.

Physical anthropology students, Susan D’Alonzo and Shannon Clickenbeard organized another successful forensic conference. The 8th Annual Forensic Conference featured four renowned forensic anthropologists and resulted in the highest attendance yet.

Northeast Information Center

Greetings from the Northeast Information Center! Over the past year, Assistant Coordinator Amy Huberland, NEIC staff members, Chico State faculty and staff, and a host of volunteers have been busy planning the 2011 California Indian Conference which took place the weekend of October 27-30. Seven hundred people came from around California to participate in “Sustaining the Circle of Knowledge,” exceeding our wildest expectations. From the opening ceremonies to the closing ceremonies, it was a time of rich learning, sharing, and connecting with others. The conference featured presentations, workshops, tribal-hosted meals, traditional Native performances, a Youth Track, a contemporary Native American art show, and a master basket weavers demonstration. The event offered an exceptional opportunity for tribal members from across the state to network with academics, students, agency representatives, and community members and in addition, highlighted the beauty of CSU, Chico and the North State.

Now it is back to the day-to-day business of the NEIC: archiving records and reports; conducting records searches for cultural resources studies as part of the project planning process; working with students, tribes, and other researchers; and educating the public regarding the significance and protection of archaeological and historical sites. Several new contracts have been signed recently, including a Challenge Cost-Share Agreement with Klamath National Forest whose purpose is to collaborate and share cultural resource information to preserve and protect such data for future generations. A second agreement is in the works with Caltrans District 2, in support of their Geoarchaeological study of Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Shasta, Siskiyou, and Tehama counties. These projects will also assist the NEIC in moving forward with its Geographical Information System (GIS) conversion program which involves transferring the hard-copy mapped information (site and survey locations) to a computerized, digital format.

Current NEIC staff include: Dr. Antoinette Martinez, Faculty Coordinator; Amy Huberland, Assistant Coordinator; Adrienne Slattery, Research Associates; Sally Loker, GIS Specialist; Rob McCann, Research Assistant; and Jessica Sharp and Ashlee Taylor, Lab Technicians. Please feel free to contact us about internships or research possibilities. Visit our website http://www.csuchico.edu/neic, or call for an appointment at (530) 898-6256.
Valene L. Smith Museum of Anthropology

Cross Campus Collaboration Gets at the Heart of Learning from Each Other and Celebrating Diversity

On campus and in our community the changing economic fortunes and worries about financial resources surround us. Higher education is certainly far from immune from these shortfalls and cutbacks. One smart way many departments and co-curricular programs have been protecting themselves is by joining forces and recognizing meaningful ways to link projects for mutual benefit. Although we speak often about collaboration on campus, it is difficult to find the right opportunities that lend themselves to allowing all parties involved to engage their full skills and make all parts of the group shine brighter.

At the Valene L. Smith Museum this fall semester we have been collaborating with new found partners in unexpected and delightful ways. These collaborations have provided unique intersections with multiple Colleges, leading to powerful experiences for students, faculty, K-12 teachers, alumnas and the walk-in visitor alike.

The museum kicked off the exhibition season with a new twist to the annual photo show. Partnering with the College of HFA’s North State Symphony, the joint effort’s goal was to generate a youth photography show with children across the North State to increase interest and awareness in the arts for families and young people. Two hundred submissions were received from all over the North State by photographers under the age of 11! This exhibition journeyed up to Turtle Bay where student curators, Vivian Reck and Melissa Chacon will install the exhibit for a second time. The show culminates on November 13, 2011 with a youth concert performance of Our Town by Aaron Copland. Further, this collaboration extends to Meriam Library’s Special Collections, which will archive the iconic images of nature and cityscapes from Chico to Tahoe depicted in the exhibition.

What started as a small request from the North State California Council for Social Studies to host their Fall meeting at the museum quickly morphed into a wonderful Resource Faire for K-12 teachers from as far away as Gridley, Oroville, and as close to home as Chico and Paradise. Programs across the campus like Gateway Science Museum, Turner Museum, The Chico Ecological Reserve, and RISE all had booths displaying their programs to assist teachers with curricular resources, tours, and outreach. Other area resources like the Chico Library, Gold Nugget Museum and Chico Museum set up booths as well. By pooling our resources and providing a one-stop shop for teachers, we hosted a successful, Informative and relaxed event for area teachers, complete with yummy food from Baccios Catering.

Perhaps the most exciting collaboration of the semester was a series of events related to the traditional Mexican holiday, Day of the Dead, throughout the month of October. Together with Oscar Mendoza of Educational Talent Search, a campus program committed to prepare and motivate low-income, first generation college students for success in postsecondary education, Adrienne Scott, museum curator, dreamed up this venture. This Day of the Dead month-long celebration now includes Charles Carter, Director of the Cross Cultural Leadership Center and an ever-growing list of Hispanic student organizations and multicultural fraternities, including MECHA. This collaborative effort with the on-campus and local Hispanic communities is meant to encourage visibility and understanding about an important facet of Chico’s diverse population. The Day of the Dead, or, Día de los Muertos, is an oft-misunderstood holiday mistaken for “Mexican Halloween.”
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Day of the Dead took place on November 2 this past year. While there can be face painting and spooky decorations involved, this holiday is one of remembrance; families gather to celebrate and remember the lives of their loved ones who have passed away. This past Fall every Wednesday in October the museum offered programming associated with understanding the holiday and considering what being Hispanic means in Chico. The culmination of the events happened on Wednesday, November 2, with a community tamale dinner to honor this traditional holiday.

Collaboration can be just a buzz word on a check list or it can be a hard won effort to promote the mutual objectives and missions of campus and wider community organizations, choosing to highlight our strengths in this tough economic climate rather than our weaknesses.

Submitted by Adrienne Scott, curator Valene L. Smith
*Museum of Anthropology*

**Dia de los Muertos figurines.**

**Coming Home**

*Ishi’s Long Journey*

**The Spring 2012 Museum Exhibit.**
Graduate students in the Anthropology Department organized the 8th Annual Forensic Conference, held on November 5, 2011. Dr. Eric Bartelink served as the faculty advisor and stated that it was yet again another successful, student-run event. Students brought and funded (courtesy of the AS Government and AGSA) four forensic anthropology experts to the campus, who gave lectures to the general public on Saturday and held advanced workshops for students on Sunday. Invited speakers included: Dr. Greg Berg (JPAC-CIL); Dr. Melissa Connor (Nebraska Wesleyan University); Dr. Jennifer Love (Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences); and Dr. Michael Warren (C.A. Pound Human ID Lab, University of Florida).

The Human ID Lab continues to tackle steps toward accreditation through ASCLD-LAB and has been kept extremely busy over the past year with casework and recoveries. The lab has accepted over 24 cases from fall 2010 to fall 2011, and faculty and graduate students have performed several recoveries during the spring through fall season of 2011.

The department is growing in more ways than one!
The Human Identification Lab technician, Shannon Clinkenbeard (left) and part-time lecturer Melody Yeager Struthers (right) are both expecting in January 2012.

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Keith, Karen and Chris Johnson

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Ms. Denise Arnold
Ms. Nancy Green

Thank you to all!!!
**Dr. Georgia Fox (2001)**

For Associate Professor Georgia Fox, the early fall of 2010 began with a shipwreck. The vessel in question, *Two Brothers*, was a New Bedford whaler that smashed on the jagged shoals of the now National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Papahanaumokuakea Marine National Monument in the Northwest Hawaiian Islands. Her captain, George Pollard, Jr., was the very same captain of *Essex*, the inspiration for the classic, *Moby Dick*, by Herman Melville. Unfortunately for Pollard, this was to be his last foray onto the high seas, a career cut short by his questionable navigation skills.

What remains are the shipwreck and a scatter of artifacts, some of which were sent to the CSU Chico Heritage Resources Conservation Laboratory to be stabilized and conserved for study and museum display. The conservation of the artifacts, resulting from a federal contract with NOAA, include several whaling harpoon and lances, ceramics, and a large cast iron cooking pot. Former students Brian Denham and Kim Ornellas, under the direction of Dr. Fox, conducted the preliminary and difficult removal of calcium carbonate deposits from the objects, which took the better part of a year. This was followed by the conservation treatment, which began in July 2011, and is slated to be concluded by early November.

During the fall 2010, Dr. Fox and her students in the ANTH 467, *Exhibit Research, Design, and Installation*, created the exhibition, *Sacred Places, Dreams of Leisure: The Anthropology of Tourism*, in the Valene L. Smith Museum of Anthropology. The exhibition was in honor of the pioneering work of Emeritus Professor Dr. Valene L. Smith, the museum’s benefactress. The exhibit was nicely accompanied by a two-day conference on the Anthropology of Tourism, which the museum hosted during March 4-5, 2011. The conference was a great success. The festivities kicked off with a reception on Friday evening at the Diamond Hotel, with many toasts and tributes to Dr. Smith. Saturday, March 5, comprised a day of interesting and exciting research presented by distinguished scholars in the field, including our very own Dr. Jesse Dizard. The conference concluded with a banquet at Sylvester’s by the Creek on the CSU Chico campus.

In May of 2011, Dr. Fox headed off to the American Institute for the Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works (AIC) annual meeting, which was held in Philadelphia this year. During the conference, a field trip was arranged to visit the Winterthur Museum and conservation labs in the beautiful rolling hills of the Brandywine Valley in Delaware.

No sooner than retuning to the golden shores of California, Dr. Fox turned around and headed for the golden shores of Antigua, in the Eastern Caribbean, where she conducts an archaeological field school at Betty’s Hope, a 300-year-old sugar plantation. This was the fifth field season at Betty’s Hope; the 2011 crew included seven undergraduate students, several graduate students, and three Teaching Assistants, who graced the project with their good humor, hard work, and abilities to navigate an auto on the left side of the road, British style. This year, field work at Betty’s Hope concentrated on excavating the area between the Great House and kitchen to determine the perimeter and size of the house, and continued excavations of the kitchen which began in 2010. Work also focused on mapping and surveying the lesser known areas of the site, as well as developing a more extensive site plan of the Great House area. During the survey, an exciting discovery took place: some remains of “Afro-Antiguan ware,” a thick coarse earthenware made by slaves, were recovered in an area thought to be the location of the slave housing. As this is preliminary, further investigations will be necessary. The field project was not all work, however. One of the highlights was a cruise aboard a 50-foot sailboat on the crystal clear, calm waters of the Caribbean Sea, with lunch and a day of snorkeling included. A sea turtle was spotted, gracefully gliding by as the students and Dr. Fox watched in awe of this magnificent creature.

At the conclusion of the field school, with students heading state-side, Dr. Fox headed for a brief sojourn on the French Caribbean island of Martinique, where the International Association of Caribbean Archaeology held its 24th Congress, where Fox presented her paper, “Archaeological Investigations at Betty’s Hope Plantation, Antigua, West Indies.” Dr. Fox is grateful to the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences for awarding travel Funds to attend the conference.
Dr. Jesse Dizard (2007)

The past year has been an exciting one for Dr. Dizard. In mid-September of 2010 as part of a larger project on the Nome Cult Trail (NCTP), he worked with three students who were the first Chico State Wildcats to ever walk with the Meechoopda and Round Valley Maidu people from Chico to Covelo, a 100 mile journey commemorating the forced removal of indigenous people from what was to become Butte County. In late September, he traveled to the Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam, Holland to present his research on children’s perceptions of war, peace and enemy concepts at the International Conference “The Doors of Perception: Viewing Anthropology Through the Eyes of Children”. The winter was spent in relatively quiet contemplation, preparing for a dynamic spring, which included revising a manuscript on the children’s perceptions project for publication, initiating the Violence Against Women Project (VAWP), filming Chico State University’s Take Back the Night march and vigil as well as several interviews with help from the new Visual Anthropology Lab (VAL) and its Red Camera (special thanks to Derek Sine for his able, crisp and professional assistance). In late May, Dr. Dizard was invited to Chungwoon University in South Korea to present remarks concerning social media and contemporary revolutions. Over the summer Dr. Dizard camped with his family near Crater Lake National Park, and also spent some time out east in Massachusetts, his native habitat. He is currently continuing work on both the VAWP and the NCTP, as well as other regional inquiries, and looking forward to learning how to use GPS devices in addition to dictation software.

Kevin Dalton

Kevin completed his Master’s Degree in the spring of 2011, with distinction. During the summer Kevin managed a number of projects for the Archaeological Research Program, taught and did some fishing with Frank Bayham and Jack Brough- ton at the Eagle Lake Zooarchaeology and Field Ecology field school, and visited Paisley Caves in Eastern Oregon. In the archaeology lab Kevin continues to manage interns, assist graduate and undergraduate students, and provide support for classes taught in the lab. This last year, Kevin has received over $20,000 in grants and funding for activities associated with archaeology lab, including: funding for the purchase of a total station and GPS units, and for archaeological internships in the archaeology lab. Students in the archaeological and forensic field classes have already begun to gain experience on the new field equipment. Kevin has also been hired as a part-time lecturer for the department. He is currently teaching Archaeological Field Methods and will likely teach the Archaeological Laboratory Methods class in the spring. All-in-all it has been a good year.
Dr. Frank Bayham (1985)

This past year has been a time of transition in all aspects of my life. On the academic front, I decided to semi-retire and entered the FERP program last semester. Rather than teach one semester and take off the next semester, I am on half-time both semesters and expect to do so for a few more years. I continue to teach GE and majors courses, and serve on a number of MA committees as well. In truth, since I still remain active in research, I view this more as a workload reduction program than real retirement. Another area of transition has been the long-standing summer course in "Zooarchaeology and Field Ecology" which we began in 1988. Last summer 2011, I turned over the reins of this course to alumnus Jack Broughton of the University of Utah, who has been with the course in one capacity or another since its inception. Biologist Jay Bogiatto, staff archaeologist Kevin Dalton and I continued on as co-instructors along with Jack, who is arguably now one of the top three zooarchaeologists in the U.S. Students from across the country had the opportunity to learn and conduct research at the Eagle Lake Field Station and present their results at the 7th Stanley J. Olsen Zooarchaeology Conference. Plans are underway to again teach this course through the University of Utah in 2012. On a personal note, each of my children are out of the house and forging lives of their own. My son Jude, who is now 28, got married in May to a wonderful young woman, Marissa, and they are living up in Pullman, Washington where Jude is working on his doctoral degree in economics. Holly, now 26, is in law school in Jacksonville, Florida, and Mary, now 21, is at Chico State working on her degree in health administration.

Dr. Lisa Westwood (2004)

Lisa continues to carry out her mission of promoting historic preservation on the Moon. She has been working with Congress, NASA, and California SHPO on preserving Tranquility Base, where Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin took their famous first footsteps in 1969. Among her recent activities, she was invited by NASA and the National Air and Space Museum to participate in a symposium at NASA Headquarters in Washington D.C. last April, drafted the Tranquility Base National Historic Landmark Act, met with many current and former NASA personnel and astronauts, and contributed to NASA’s recent guidelines for visitation of Apollo sites on the moon. She also continues to serve as Cultural Resources Manager for ECORP Consulting, in Rocklin (near Sacramento), and teaches online anthropology and archaeology courses for Chico State.
Related to that consultancy, P, along with a consultant colleague, were mentioned in Kathy Reichs’s recent book *Spider Bones* (2010, Scribner, New York, page 304): “I remember when Hugh Berryman, P. Willey, and I splashed in the Waikiki surf, giggling like kids.” Cavorting perhaps, sashaying maybe, but P doesn’t ever recall giggling. And in another questionable accolade, P was included among the ten “hottest” male forensic anthropologists by the Organization of Postmenopausal Forensic Anthropologists, Chicago, IL, February 2011!

The number of forensic osteology cases exploded as summer 2011 progressed. Over the course of the year, requests for Chico State’s search and recovery efforts increased dramatically. With other faculty members and many Chico State students, P was involved with five recoveries. The most memorable ones happened in November searching near Seaside, California, overlooking Monterey Bay, and in August on the American River, which required a helicopter ride and being hoisted to and from the ground with a hovering aircraft.

Judy and P celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary in January spending a week watching huge waves on Oahu’s North Shore. Closer to home, they continued exploring the trails and hinterlands of Northern California, although at a slower pace and in shorter distances than a decade-and-a-half ago.

**Dr. P Willey (1989)**

P continued his research on Ishi’s cephalometrics with his former professor and colleague, Richard Jantz. He also perpetuated his work on Seventh Cavalry written medical histories, begun with colleagues a decade ago. Katie Cohan completed the first major work with those Seventh Cavalry data; she analyzed frostbite among the troopers for her thesis that she defended last spring. P also re-engaged with the Crow Creek Site (a prehistoric massacre involving nearly 500 skeletons in central South Dakota), attempting to organize and preserve the data sheets and photographs curated at the University of South Dakota. Ashley Kendell used the Crow Creek data to study scalping and gender, a thesis she defended earlier this year. In addition to those major works, P was engaged in several shorter-term projects.

P served on the Scientific Working Group for Anthropology’s (SWAGANTH) board of directors. Sponsored by the FBI and Department of Defense, SWGANTH promotes and disseminates best practices in forensic anthropology. He continued as consultant for the DoD’s Central Identification Laboratory. That organization broke ground for a $100 million lab in Honolulu and has plans to establish a satellite lab on the mainland. It’s wonderful working with an organization that has such funding!

Last summer P drove to the Great Plains to visit family and colleagues, where he and Judy camped with friends in Iowa and Nebraska. The flooded Missouri River was amazing—like an in-land seas, as Judy described it.
Dr. Beth Shook
During the past year or so I have been busy teaching an assortment of classes. Some highlights including taking over Dr. Urbanowicz’s Fall jumbo Human Cultural Diversity class with 192 students (in both 2010 and 2011). I’m learning new technologies to make it a little easier, including a tutoring and editing service called "net tutor" and "clickers," where students can participate in class and take quizzes using a small remote device. I am also working on revising my North American Indians class and hope to locally publish some of my students’ movie analysis papers (in which they critically research and analyze popular Native American films); they are quite good! In 2010, a paper I co-authored, entitled A bioarchaeological study of a Western Basin Tradition Cemetery on the Detroit River, was published in the Journal of Archaeological Science. Since then I wrote up the Genetic Analysis of Individuals Buried in an Unmarked Cemetery in Eureka County, Nevada, part of a collaborative effort with Drs. Bartelink and Murad and a host of graduate students and MA graduates. In August of 2010, before school began, I participated in the NJU Project in Forensic Anthropology at Syracuse University with the topic DNA: Why Molecular ID Matters. Then, in February (2011) I was an invited speaker to the community of Auburn, in a series sponsored by the Placer Nature Center. I really enjoyed putting together my talk Human Populations and Genetics: Past, Present, and Future, in which I explored how genetics is being used and the differences we can detect between humans. I hope to explore this further in my spring special topics course: Molecular Anthropology and Forensic Genetics. Outside of work, I’ve been enjoying time with my family. My son, Joel, is now 2 1/2 and is keeping us on our toes. Over the summer we took vacations to Disneyland and to the Oregon Coast, and had a wonderful time!

CSU Chico Anthropology now has a Facebook page!

And check out Clan Destiny’s from the past 30 years at http://www.csuchico.edu/anth/clan_destiny.shtml

Trudy Waldroop
Alive and well, Trudy managed to stay out of the hospital for a year now. In 2011 another rite of passage, Medicare! We paid off our home mortgage. Whoopee! We bought a new dining room table (3 feet tall), china hutch and couple of kitchen appliances. We did our bit for the economy. Unfortunately, we are down to three dogs, which we’ve had for almost five years now. Lost mama dog due to cancer just before Thanksgiving. Up onto our place in Warner Valley, outside of Chester (CA) July 4 last year, the latest we’ve ever gotten up due to long and late snows. We just love our new 5th wheel trailer with a slide out, with so much more room. Our insurance company hauled away our old trailer that got stuck up there over the winter as my husband dislocated his shoulder and friends were unable to help get it out. Had a good year of shows, family, friends, and good medical exams. I was just appointed(2/12) to the Orland Library Commission. Haven’t had my first meeting yet – but soon. Wish everyone a great year and DO keep in touch with the department!
Dr. Eric Bartelink (2006)

Dr. Bartelink finished his fifth year with the Department of Anthropology and has enjoyed teaching this past year. He really enjoyed last Spring’s Human ID class, and was very impressed with the student forensic case reports. He is looking forward to teaching the intro Physical Anthropology and Survey of Forensic Science courses again this Fall. Last June, Dr. Bartelink, Dr. Milligan, Dr. Murad, Dr. Fox, Dr. Brazeal, Roland Wessling (Cranfield University, UK), Melanie Beasley, Lisa Bright, Shannon Clinkinbeard, and Kevin Dalton taught “Forensic Archaeology: Field Recovery Methods” to 19 undergraduate and graduate students. The list of instructors seems to grow each year! This 40-hour course involved a series of lectures, workshops, and field exercises, and included locating, excavating, and recovering buried plastic skeletons. The Law Enforcement Academy at Butte College again kindly offered an acre of land to use as an outdoor classroom. In mid-June, Eric spent a week in upstate New York to attend two back-to-back forensic anthropology workshops funded by the National Institute of Justice and sponsored by Syracuse University. He returned again in August for a third workshop, and looks forward to final capstone workshop to be held in New York City in October, 2011. During the last two weeks of June, Eric collected data on prehistoric central California populations curated at the Phoebe Hearst Museum (UC Berkeley). In July, he spent 10 days at the Max Planck Institute (Department of Human Evolution) in Leipzig, Germany. Eric is collaborating with several colleagues on stable isotope research on human skeletal remains from prehistoric American Samoa and California. He really enjoyed seeing the sites in Germany, especially Berlin.


The Human ID lab has continued to be a busy place with both forensic casework and outdoor scene recoveries (~10 since April!). Shannon Clinkinbeard continues to keep the lab running like a well-oiled machine, and has trained a number of new interns. She has been involved in a number of ongoing lab improvement projects, and has conducted a number of k-12 and college tours.
**Dr. Brian Brazeal (2007)**

Brian Brazeal has been building the Advanced Laboratory for Visual Anthropology, the most advanced anthropological cinema production facility in the world. He has also been mentoring groups of students in the production of independent documentaries and is proud to report that these have seen overwhelming success. Particularly noteworthy was “A Man Called Ishi,” directed by Magdalena Roberts in 2011. This film treats local Native American perceptions of the Ishi Story.

Dr. Brazeal has also managed to work in some time for field research, and the presentation of his research results. In the winter of 2011, he traveled to the emerald mines and markets of Brazil, where he collaborated with a Brazilian filmmaker, Ariane Almeida Matos, to capture footage on emerald mining and trading in Northeast Brazil. A short film based on this work titled, “Memories of Vice and Violence” premiered at a conference held in Innsbruck Austria. From there, Professor Brazeal traveled to Lisbon, Portugal, where he presented research on the worship of ancestors in Afro Brazilian religions at the meetings of the Société Internationale d’Étnologie et de Folklore.

After leading an excellent group of visual anthropology students through the laborious process of producing for local ethnographic documentaries, Professor Brazeal returned to the field once again. This time he went to Kitwe and Lufwanyama in the southern African country of Zambia. There, he worked with emerald miners and traders from Zambia, Mali, Mauritania and Senegal. Documentary video footage dealing with the illegal emerald trade in Zambia premiered at Chico’s very own Anthropology Forum and screened again at the 2011 American Anthropological Association annual meetings to be held in Montréal, Québec Canada.

Professor Brazeal is looking forward to an upcoming research trip to India and to continuing his documentary film efforts in collaboration with Chico State students and colleagues.

![Dr. Brian Brazeal with the emerald miners of Lufwanyama, Zambia.](image)

**Shannon Clinkenbeard**

In the fall of 2011 Shannon began her third year in the graduate program and is also moving into the start of her fifth year as the Supervisor for the Human ID Lab. Fall 2011 kept Shannon busy as she had been coordinating the 8th Annual Forensic Conference that took place in November 2011. In February 2012 Shannon assisted with a poster for the American Academy of Forensic
attention on writing a book-length manuscript on the life of Mrs. Amada Cardenas, the first federally-licensed peyote dealer to legally sell peyote to members of the Native American Church (NAC). I had been working on this research project for twelve years. Several years ago, graduate students Traci Van Deest and Carrie Brown assisted me in transcribing interview tapes that I had recorded in 2004. Thanks to their efforts and the help of others, and with no formal time commitments, I was able to jump right into writing the chapters. Except for the tsunami stirred up by the earthquake in Japan, and the damage it caused further north in the coastal city of Crescent City, life was calm and especially conducive for completing the manuscript. With the working title Amada’s Blessings from the Peyote Gardens of South Texas, I am pleased to say that it is now in the editing stage, and I plan to submit it to academic presses for review soon. I also completed the editing of my chapter, “Peyote and Meaning” which has been published in Alternating Consciousness: A Multidisciplinary Perspective, edited by Etzel Cardeña and Michael Winkelman, Praeger Publishers.

In Eureka, I had a chance to visit with graduate student Helene Rouvier, who was writing her thesis while living in Happy Camp, California, and working for the Karuk Tribe. She completed her thesis and successfully defended it in fall, 2010. At a local bakery, and another time at a local brewpub, I ran into Jordan Bauman who, having graduated with a B.A. from the Department, had returned home to her own stomping grounds in Eureka.

Over that period, Jim and I had the opportunity to travel. We made various trips to South Texas, and I was able to reunite with friends and acquaintances connected to Amada Cardenas at her home during the NAC traditional tipi meetings that take place over the President’s Day weekend in February. I received blessings and encouraging words from Native American Church members, local Tejanos, Anglos, and others when they were updated on the progress of my book. We traveled to Santa Fe, New Mexico, where I gave an invited lecture on Huichol Indian Weaving at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture. We also spent time with a Luis Garcia, a Pueblo weaver, who had contacted me, wanting to share his traditional weaving styles with me and learn more about Huichol backstrap loom weaving. It was an exciting opportunity to exchange knowledge from one weaver to another.

We also traveled to Oaxaca City in Southern Mexico, where I presented an invited lecture entitled “Hilos que dan vida: tejidos huicholes sagrados,” (Threads that give life: huichol sacred textiles) for the colloquium Simbolismo y ritual en el textil mesoamericano, hosted by the Museo Textil de Oaxaca. From there we traveled to the Huichol Sierra to visit our Huichol family and friends. To usher in the 2011 new year in a refreshingly different way, Jim and I joined our colleagues from Miami, Florida, and Hamburg, Germany, to speak at an international gathering of sustainability-minded people in Costa Rica, in the jungle outback of the Pacific Coast just south of the capital, San José. It had been 32 years since I was last there, and I could not help but note the changes in the country with its popularity as a tourist destination for some and a second home for a number of American ex-pats.

Now I am back in Chico feeling refreshed, and newly-inspired. It took some effort to get back into the caffeine-charged pace of the university, but I have adapted, and I am back to my other parallel universe, here, in the department among my esteemed colleagues and dedicated students.

Dr. Stacy Schaefer (1999)

The 2010-2011 academic year was an amazingly auspicious time for me, and now, in retrospect, I feel most fortunate to have lived life differently, in what I playfully call a “parallel universe.” With support from the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences and a grant from the Ruth Landes Memorial Fund, I spent the year engaged in many productive endeavors. Knowing that staying in Chico would draw me back into university life, Jim and I established our home base in Eureka, California, on the Humboldt Coast. Amidst this beautiful landscape behind the “redwood curtain,” and the intriguing ethnobotanical industry for which Humboldt is famously known, I focused my
**Stephanie Meyers**

This past year I was able to travel to St. Louis and Southern California to see family. Once again I worked at the Museum summer camp with Adrienne and the kids were enjoyable and memorable. I am planning to do some camping and ATV riding this coming summer and hope to take my RV places I have not been to yet. This coming year I will also travel back to St. Louis to visit family and I hope to visit Florida to visit family that I have not seen in twenty years. I can still be found cruising Paradise and Chico in my 67 Camaro.

**Charles Urbanowicz**

Charlie first began teaching at "Chico State" in August 1973 and he completely retired in December 2009. Previous *Clan Destiny* publications pointed out some activities and Charlie asks, "...readers of CD save their CDs, don’t they?" Considering that he taught "History" in the Department for many-many years, Charlie writes that after 1-to-36 years, *Clan Destiny* is fun to re-read!

The 2010 calendar year saw the most cruising days for Charlie and his lovely wife Sadie. They cruised and lectured for almost 100 days on various Pacific itineraries. Please note the "they" for Sadie has also begun lecturing on various itineraries and she has developed some wonderful lectures on "plants" of the Polynesians as well as information on the celebrated "Mutiny on the Bounty" and "authors and writers" of Pacific topics. After almost 48 years of marriage, Charlie and Sadie continue to be a team!

In 2010 Charlie and Sadie were in the Hawaiian islands for four cruises, in French Polynesia for three cruises, and they even lectured on a cruise from Sydney, Australia, to Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. Early in 2011, Charlie lectured on the *Queen Victoria* on a round-trip 14-day cruise from Los Angeles to Hawai‘i. In February 2012, Charlie lectured on the *Queen Elizabeth* for a 25-day cruise from San Francisco to Sydney, Australia. Charlie and Sadie lived in Sydney in 1970-1971, and the gorgeous Sydney Opera house was being built when they lived there. Since the Opera House was funded by lottery tickets, Charlie and Sadie know they contributed to a (very small) portion of that facility! In 2007, Charlie lectured on the *Queen Elizabeth 2* on a cruise from California to Sydney (just before the *QE2* was sold and "retired"). Charlie says it was interesting to compare the Queen experiences. If you are at all interested in a Pacific Bibliography that he has created over many years (with cruise maps), point your browser to http://www.csuchico.edu/~curbanowicz/CruiseReferences.html.

Early in 2011, Charlie and Sadie took a cruise that they did not lecture on; flying to Europe, they boarded a relatively small ship in Amsterdam and took a wonderful 10-day cruise through some of the rivers and canals of Holland and Belgium, enjoying the magnificent tulips! It was great to be a passenger on a cruise ship where they had no lecturing responsibilities! When they flew back from Europe to the East Coast of the United States they rented a car and drove from New Jersey to Florida, visiting some locations along the way, including an exceptional Gauguin exhibit in Washington, D.C. and the National Museum of the Marine Corps in Quantico, Virginia. In Summer of 2011, they had a HUGE tomato garden in their backyard and in August 2011, they drove to Bellingham, Washington, for Sadie’s 50th High School Reunion. In September 2011 Charlie and Sadie flew to Honolulu for a 16-day lecturing assignment for a cruise to Tahiti which then continued to Auckland, New Zealand. Finally, in October 2011 Charlie lectured on an 8-day cruise from San Diego to Honolulu. Charlie writes that it is GREAT to be an anthropologist, especially one who has specialized in Pacific topics.

Son Tom and his wife Julia still live in the Chico area. Julia is a terrific stay-at-home Mom and Tom is now the Vice President of Engineering for a local computer company. As of this writing, Tom has been to China twice for his company. Charlie and Sadie have two grandchildren, Lisi (now 15) and Andrew (now 13), and both have taken courses at Butte College. Lisi took a single course in Spring 2011 at the "Chico Center" of Butte College and earned an "A" for her work and in fall 2011 both Lisi and Andrew took a Biology course and an Algebra course on the Butte College campus. In summarizing: considering the ultimate (or eventual) alternative to getting older, Charlie writes "I’ll continue to get older!"  In case you do keep copies of your *Clan Destiny*, Charlie quote himself from last year, and still believes in it: "Although Charlie and Sadie still enjoy travel they are delighted to spend time in Chico with family and friends. Time does fly and Charlie says enjoy every moment."
Tom Johnson

Tom and Kimie continue to enjoy “retirement” in Santa Rosa. Daughter Naomi and grandson Justice live nearby in Healdsburg, where Naomi continues to manage the family vineyard. She has now started also growing organic vegetables and edible flowers for several San Francisco restaurants, including Weird Fish, her partner’s restaurant in the Mission District. Justice is now in third grade and an avid ball player, both baseball and basketball. Son Morgan has moved to Burbank, where he is involved in filmmaking, serving as Executive Producer for “The Victim,” a film to be released this fall.

Kimie stays active on a senior tennis team and travels throughout the region for games. Tom’s research and writing on gender dysphoria is ongoing. He gave an invited presentation to the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality last November and has organized a panel for the World Professional Association for Transgender Health for September. In addition to articles for medical journals, he has been commissioned to write two articles for an up-coming Encyclopedia of Human Sexuality to be published by Wiley-Blackwell next year.

Keith Johnson

Keith and Karen spent Christmas 2010 with family in beautiful Santa Fe and enjoyed a number of shorter trips through the year, including SIRs mystery trips and museum exhibits in San Francisco. In September we were co-leaders with Valene Smith of a prehistoric civilizations tour of the Southwest. It was the 5th time we have helped Valene’s TIM Tours to Arizona and New Mexico. Closer to home, Keith and Karen continue to serve Park Watch, and volunteered as docents at the Chico Creek Nature Center. Karen is still involved with Girl Scouts and participates in Girl Scout Historian meetings in the Bay Area. Keith is President of the Bidwell Mansion Association and is deeply involved in the struggle to save Bidwell Mansion from closing on May 1, 2012. Together with son Chris they visited several of the 70 California State Parks scheduled to shut down in 2012.

Karen Cebra

In the last issue Karen wrote that she was working at UC Davis in a forensics lab doing bullet analysis. Karen is now leaving the lab due to disabilities that have made working near impossible. She is currently on UC Davis disability and is in the process of applying for federal/social security disability. She will probably not be going back to work.

Valene L. Smith

The Department en masse surprised me in February with an 85th Birthday party in the Museum... and when I looked around at the numbers there, it was a shock! When I joined the department in 1968, I was #3 with Keith and Jim Myers. Now students tell me that CSU-Chico is one of the top 5 (learned from recruiting jobs). We all owe thanks to the many students who honored us by attending CSU Chico. Many of you have demonstrated your classroom expertise, and have encouraged others to attend. I am very well, despite the ongoing loss of vision due to age-related macular degeneration, and continue to travel, the best this past year was a circumnavigation of the island of Sicily, with a visit to Malta. The leadership focus was marine archaeology. I had had no idea there are 1499 known sites in the Mediterranean, and what knowledge could be gained about war, agriculture and trade from this work. We visited several museums, and viewed many slides from underwater excavations. I visited Yosemite first as a child of 5 years, and am among the very few who remember Tabu, the aged Yosemite Indian who ground acorn meal outside the museum, and made cakes for children to sample. I expressed a desire to be married someday in the chapel in the valley and 80 years later, on August 21, it happened. A long-time acquaintance, Bob Benner, who with his wife as a fellow passenger aboard the ice-breaker in 1993 when it became beset at 83 degrees north during a circumnavigation of Greenland (that failed), had kept in touch with Christmas letters. His wife deceased last July, and I also again a widow, he suggested we would be happier together than separate in our lonely houses...so Bob has relocated here. A life-long antiquarian, he has worlds of wonderful collections as well as photos. We are returning to Antarctica in December for the third and final cruise (at least for us), as new regulations will require only diesel vessels to operate in those waters, and will greatly increase the cost of such travel. I wish each and every one of our readers a good year ahead, a job, no inflation, and good health.
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Since finishing her receiving her degree at CSU, Chico in 2009, Raquel has been living in Spain teaching, English as a second language to people of all ages. Upon her arrival to Spain she was teaching adults English in an official Language School. Currently she is working in a Catholic school in Madrid teaching English to 1st and 2nd graders as well as high school juniors and seniors. Living in Spain has been a great experience for Raquel since it has not only allowed her to practice and improve her Spanish, but also gain valuable teaching experience. Apart from teaching, in her free time she likes to travel around Spain and other parts of Europe. Raquel plans on studying a master’s in Spanish linguistics in the following year.

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Pam continues to work in Special Collections, Meriam Library, Chico State as an archivist. She successfully implemented uploading manuscript finding aids into the Online Archive of California using Archivist Toolkit through a Hidden Collections grant from the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR). This semester she started pursuing an MLIS through San Jose State, as a way to expand career opportunities into librarianship. Pam and her husband Bob own AVL Looms, a small manufacturing company that creates production hand looms. She is also busy with three daughters Ava (12), Talia (10), Claire (3) and the newest addition to the family a German sheppard puppy named Molly Cake. The family took a vacation to Solana Beach this year, where they got in a lot of boogie boarding.

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Since graduating with her BA in Anthropology and Museum Studies Certificate in May 2010, Airiel Scotti has followed her passion for object conservation across continents and coast. As a previous student of Dr. Georgia Fox’s “Conservation of Archaeological and Ethnographic Resources” laboratory and “Museum Collections Management” course, Airiel was eager to apply her classroom skills to real-world experience during her time at the Poggio Civitate Archaeological Project (PCAP) in Summer 2010. The Project is run by the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and is one of the oldest and longest-running field schools in the world. In addition to her work in the Magazzino (the lab), cleaning animal bone and teeth, and terracotta, Airiel studied Etruscan and Italic history, practiced archaeological field methods, and engaged in the culture of rural Tuscany to enrich her two-month stay in Italy. To figure out where her specific conservation interests lie, Airiel undertook her first conservation internship at the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory (MAC Lab) in September 2010. Her decision to work at the nationally recognized facility was not a difficult one though it entailed moving far from family and friends, and entering an uncompensated contract. During her nine months at the MAC Lab, Airiel cooperated in, and individually managed, a combined total of 13 projects. Airiel’s projects allowed her to work with a wide array of materials, such as pewter, copper alloy, as well as fineware and earthenware ceramics. Some of the MAC Lab’s very cool blockbuster projects have included freeze-drying a 500 year old canoe and remnants of Blackbeard’s flagship, Queen Anne’s Revenge, as well as preserving the body of an 18th-century workhorse ship excavated from the World Trade Center construction site and the stabilization of an 18th-century wood posthole at the Smith’s St. Leonard site in January 2011. While much of Airiel’s work was sourced from the MAC Lab’s collection of ten million artifacts, and occasionally from federal contracts with outsourced collections, this is one example of where some of her work has come from onsite at the MAC Lab’s associated archaeological site, located on the Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum property. In preparation for the intense standards demanded by graduate admissions committees, Airiel will complete a six-month book and paper conservation internship at the Smithsonian Institution Libraries, beginning October 2011. Working under Head Conservator, Vanessa Haight-Smith, Airiel’s main project will likely consist of stabilizing a set of New York City directories (circa 18th – 20th century) from the Cooper-Hewitt Museum Library. Airiel is currently applying to the MS in Art Conservation program at Winterthur/University of Delaware for Fall 2012. When she’s not busy with an internship or earning money for her next adventure, Airiel has continued her education since leaving Chico at a local Maryland college with chemistry, art history, ceramics, and black and white photography courses. In her free time, Airiel enjoys running, listening to audiobooks, traveling, attending classic car and antique auto shows, and taking weekend workshops, in everything from motorcycle safety to quilting.
Jarith Allen Kraft BA Chico State
The past five years have been eventful. The archaeological work out of Chico State was concluded. The last work in the field was to research and update a map for the Belle Mill Cemetery District, Tehama County (2007), and my last research, writing project was for the Liter Dam Reservoir Project, Colusa and Glenn Counties (published in 2009.) Now my research is concentrated on the family genealogy. My husband Jack, who helped me with both archaeological projects, died in August of 2008, a few weeks before our Forty-second wedding anniversary. Our children, Dana Bernard (48) Joel (41) and Edmund (37) are healthy, happy and working. My twin sister, Judy and I went to Kansas and Missouri in 2010 to research our family roots in that part of the United States. This summer (2011) the twins were part of eleven family members on an Alaskan Cruise planned by Edmund and time was enjoyed with the two grandchildren, Peri (8) and Cooper (5.)

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Laura has volunteered in her children’s school for many years. She found that she really like working with kids. Four years ago she was hired by her school district to work with special education students. Currently, she is working with middle school students. She still volunteers at her children’s school. In the personal life she has been married for twenty-two years. Her maid of honor was her first roommate at Chico. Laura has two children. Her oldest is a senior and looking at getting her college degree in fashion marketing or merchandising. Her youngest is a freshman and wants to be an architect. Laura and her family love to travel.

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Susan is the proud mom of a freshman in college who is taking his first anthropology course and loving it at Idaho State University. He said “now I have a greater appreciation of all your Indian stuff!” He is taking “Indians of California and the Great Basin” and Susan offered to loan him her Handbook of California Indians by A.L. Kroeber which she has treasured since she got it in 1972. So hopefully another anthropology major is created! Hearing about his class makes her want to get back and take more classes herself. Susan works half-time for the Boise School District in the fourth grade helping to augment the Idaho history lessons with her collection of Native American Cultural artifacts. This summer Susan took the Project Archaeology Leadership Academy Workshop at Montana State University. It is a national heritage education program for education, “using archaeological inquiry to foster understanding of past and present cultures, improve social studies and science and enhance citizenship education to help preserve an archaeological legacy.” If any of you anthro majors who are also teachers in K-12 or working in museums with community education programs are interested in a great program email her. There are lesson plan books you can buy just like Project WILD. She is hoping to make it to Chico sometime— whenever the next Alumni Reunion is especially to see Valene Smith and maybe some other pros who were teaching in the 70’s and 80’s. She’d also like to see the museum and just wander around campus.

Jeffery Clark BA Chico State

Historic Preservation training and certification, Yosemite National Park, Special Projects Shop, Yosemite Valley.
General contractors License. If anyone needs help, please let me know. Aloha to you all! Jeff Clark
PS. My great- great maternal grandfather was Archie C. Leghorn, and he married Princess Hikelike (King Kalakaka’s sister) in the 1880’s. Their daughter was Princess Kaulualihi, heir apparent to the throne, Hawaiian Monarchy. As you know the monarchy was “de-throned” in 1892 by Haole Bankens in Honolulu. Therefore, Kauluali never was able to assume her queenhood. Its all interesting stuff and endless. I apologize for rambling on. Aloha and good health to all.

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Upon completion of his graduate coursework in 2005, Greg took a position as an Associate Environmental Planner in Archaeology at Caltrans, District 4 in the San Francisco Bay Area. In 2007, he transferred to California State Parks as an Associate State Archaeologist and became the Cultural Resources Program Manager for the North Coast Redwoods District based in Eureka. As the manager of the Cultural Resources Program at the District, his responsibilities encompass the preservation and protection of all of the District’s archaeological sites, historic sites, historic structures, and collections. Additionally he’s involved in promoting archaeology, history, and historic preservation with the public and is the District’s Native American liaison. Greg finally finished his thesis in 2010 and said goodbye to being a graduate student after seven long years. Of course, the best part of his tenure at Chico State was meeting his future wife Erika Cooper. They were married in 2007, and in April of 2010 both of their lives changed forever (and for the better!) when their son Maxwell was born. Life is good! Greg’s career has found him moving throughout Northern California for the past decade, but lately he has been enjoying his sedentary lifestyle in Humboldt County.
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Mim. Roeder ( BA 1999, MA 2005) is happy to contribute that she is teaching introductory anthropology courses at Butte Community College, and recently was awarded an acknowledgement for having taught there for five years. She loves teaching but looks forward to eventually becoming a student again in pursuit of a PhD. June of 2012 will mark a decade of Mim’s commitment to working with the Northeast Information Center, providing support for the maintenance of the document-portion of the Archaeological Record for eleven counties in the northeastern portion of California. Mim had fun during the summer months this last year, taking the Forensic Archaeology Workshop, offered at Chico State in June of 2011, and working an archaeological field survey in Humboldt County with the CSUC Archaeological Research Program. On a more personal note, Mim. is most proud of her partner, Jennifer Tancreto, who has recently been admitted to the MFA Graduate Program (Printmaking) at Chico State (and is not so secretly happy that she has a reason to attend art functions on campus again!). Mim. wishes all of her fellow alumni and former professors the best of fortune and happiness.

Jeremy Haines MA Chico State
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I'm still working for the Coconino National Forest in Flagstaff, Arizona. It's beautiful country, and has a Chico-esque community. Though I sure wish we had Big Chico Creek. My daughters Corinna and Ava are now 9 and 6 respectively. I’m trying to interest them in archaeology, but since they see me as a relic of the past, and I’m inherently 'uncool', it’s been a hard sell. No real bragging rights. Well, a few. I manage the cultural resources across 850,000 acres. A total of 5,040 recorded sites are on my half of the forest, and less than 20% of the forest has been surveyed. So we're still really in the discovery phase of management, and I really enjoy chipping away at the inventory. To any future Chico archaeology track grads - learn GIS and take a course in historic preservation.

Mark Weeks BA Chico State
Mark has been a flight attendant for thirty-two years. He started with Western Airlines in 1979, which merged with Delta in 1987. The broad education he received has helped him greatly in his career. He remains grateful to all the people who provided him with an excellent education. Mark says “Thank You to all!”

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Dr. Courtney Meehan received her B.A. from CSU, Chico in 1996. She completed her M.A. and Ph.D. in Anthropology at Washington State University. She is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Anthropology at Washington State University. Courtney is a biocultural anthropologist, whose research is focused on the evolution of human childhood, child development, parental investment, cooperative child rearing, and health among the Aka tropical forest foragers and the Ngandu farmers in the Central African Republic (C.A.R.). In 2010, she received the National Science Foundation CAREER Award which is funding five years of an on-going longitudinal project exploring the complex and interrelated components of environment, biology, and culture in child development and family organization. While the project is still in its early stages, funding from the NSF has already supported several graduate student research assistantships and multiple graduate and undergraduate student trips to the C.A.R.
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After working at some great Oregon museums for ten years, Kuri switched to a cool opportunity with Heritage Programs of Oregon Parks and Recreation Department. She coordinates grant and technical assistance programs for museums, historic cemeteries and communities participating in historic preservation. She lives in Springfield with her wonderful son and husband, along with a few wacky pets.

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Denise Jaffke serves as the Sierra District Archaeologist, California State Parks and has 15 years professional experience in archaeology of the Sierra Nevada region. Jaffke’s research primarily focuses on studying prehistoric lifeways in accordance with natural seasonal episodes and resource procurement, but recent work on historic hard rock gold mining sites along the mountain range and underwater archaeology in Lake Tahoe has expanded her professional interests. A recent publication, co-authored with William Bloomer, is titled Archaeological Investigations at CA-NEV-13/H, Locus F & G, Donner Memorial State Park, Publications in Cultural Heritage #28 (2011). Jaffke lives in Tahoe with her husband and daughter.

Cheryl Schmitt BA Chico State pugpup@cruzio.com
Those years of riding a bike in Chico turned into a career for Cheryl. She oversees the alternative transportation programs for the city of Santa Cruz—bike projects, sidewalks, carpooling, carsharing, electric vehicles. Her daughters are commute cyclists, too and equally embrace a simple lifestyle. This all started when Cheryl was in high school and she and some friends formed the Ecology Club after working on the clean-up of the Santa Barbara oil spill in 1969. So Cheryl’s no newbie to the “green thing.” She’s been an ardent environmentalist her whole life. Last year, Cheryl and her daughter Samantha visited Catalhoyuk and Konya Turkey, the site of Rumi’s Tomb. Her daughter was living in Tanzania this summer and Cheryl almost went to visit her and see Olduvai Gorge and go on safari. So the interest in Anthropology is still alive and well. Cheryl is single and loves kayaking on the Monterey Bay, hiking in the Santa Cruz Mountains and walking with her dogs on trails. Her simple life is rich and full.

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Since receiving my MA in Anthropology from CSU Chico in 2010 I have accomplished the following: (1) Completed one year in a Physical Anthropology PHD program at Michigan State University. (2) Participated in Osteological analysis and bioarchaeology field work in Lecche Italy.

Richard “Dick” Markley BA&MA Chico State demarkley@msn.com- The biggest “new” news is that Dick retired last December after 32 years with the US Forest Service. He worked 20 years as a USFS archaeologist for the Tahoe National Forest, then moved into management positions that took him and his wife Gail Smart (BA CU, Chico 1977) to Idaho, Oregon, and finally New Mexico, where he served as Forest Supervisor for the Gila National Forest. He and Gail enjoy living in the southwest, particularly horseback riding in the Gila Wilderness and exploring the Mimbres/Mogollon country. Dick is also active in Rotary International, Back Country Horsemen, and is an instructor for the Western Institute for Lifelong Learning at Western New Mexico University (WNMU). He recently was elected to the board of the WNMU Foundation and is enjoying re-connecting with university culture. Dick and Gail live in Silver City, New Mexico.

Kathy Holden BA Chico State lassenlassie2@yahoo.com
I was working at the museum in Carson City until that dried up in 2009 so in September 2010 I opened a small gift shop (Tidbits) in Canyon Dam. I sell one of a kind jewelers, Jelly Belly jelly beans and the Pendleton Woolen Mills home collections as well as handmade art from Mexico. Things are going quite well in spite of the economy.

Basket weavers from the California Indian Conference.
Doug Crispin BA Chico State
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After a 25 year career working for Oregon State Parks (retired in 2010), Doug was very happy returning to his early National Park Service roots, working as a summer NPS ranger. Doug was off experiencing yet another park ranger adventure in 2011. This year he worked as a National Park Service ranger at Grand Teton National Park, in Wyoming. Living in a log cabin in the northern Colter Bay area of the park, he had a grizzly bear family of four come within 100 yards of his cabin. Doug assembled and presented ranger programs, and gave ranger walks and talks on a variety of topics throughout the May - October season. Living just 20 miles from Yellowstone National Park, he also made photographic and camping forays into America’s oldest national park. It was a great summer, living and working in one of America’s iconic national parks! This was his eleventh national park he has worked in.

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Don Botill is married to Janet Merry Botill (BA Anthropology CSUC 1977). They have two children, Kristen and Matt. Kristen works in the financial sector in San Francisco and is attending the Haas MBA program at UC Berkeley. Matt is employed by California EPA and is an Air Pollution specialist for the Air Resources Board in Sacramento. Don is Vice President of Special Projects for the Men’s Wearhouse, Inc., and coordinates Business-to-Business programs on a national basis. Janet is employed by the State of California Employment Development Department, Disability Insurance Division, and was recently a key member of the team that developed and implement California’s Paid Family Leave Program.

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Since graduation, Cathleen has spent the past three years on the Hopi Reservation in Northeastern Arizona teaching second grade at Second Mesa Day School. In addition to her CA teaching Credential she has also acquired an Arizona Teaching Credential. Working and living among the Hopi People has been quite an experience. She has also been ‘adopted’ by a Hopi family from Second Mesa. While teaching on the Reservation and learning about the Hopi culture she began working on her Reading Specialist Endorsement. Not wanting to stop there, she began working on her Masters Degree in Elementary Education which will be completed in May of 2012! Who knows...maybe a Doctoral Degree is next. Within the next few years, she hopes to go overseas and teach; possibly in Russia. Cathleen has three grown children: Robert, Christopher, and Charlie and also a three-year-old granddaughter named Ileigh. They all still live in Northern California. During her time off, if she is not in California visiting family you will probably find her continuing the exploration of her new home in the Southwest. She looks forward to many new adventures in the new area she now calls home.

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I have been working for the past 4 ½ years in Sacramento at an engineering firm specializing in hydropower and other renewable energy projects. When I arrived at my job, I was the first and only cultural resources specialist in the company. Since then, our cultural resources capabilities have grown in Sacramento and I have the privilege of serving as the group/department manager. It has been very rewarding to help our firm grow and now be able to provide full cultural technical services to our clients and I truly came to appreciate the value in having others around who speak the same lingo and know what I’m talking about! There has been little time for fun stuff during the past 4 ½ years, but I am slowly being rewarded with more personal time and am just getting back into some serious road cycling. I am also better able to tackle field projects personally again and had the pleasure of working in Alaska this summer conducting archaeological studies for a small hydropower project. Brown bear encounters were the norm during the field day and travel by small aircraft a common mode of transport, all reminding me why I became an archaeologist.

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John formed a partnership with another archaeologist and a paleontologist under the name Sub Terra Consulting. The principals are busy responding to RFD’s, so it looks like John will be busy walking transects and digging square holes for some time. John’s son Dylan graduated from Duke in May with a Ph.D in botany and is now doing a Post-Doc at the Royal Botanical Gardens at the University of Sydney, Australia. John’s daughter Rachel continues to love her job doing x-rays at Enloe.

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Since 2006 William has been employed with Statistical Research Inc. as a project director and historical archaeologist. William also serves as a founding board member of Western Rock Art Research as well as a volunteer Principal Investigator for this non-profit organization. Plans of early retirement have been postponed due to the Great Recession.
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Bonnie Pendleton spent Christmas, New Year, and Independence days working with farmers in Mali, West Africa, including a workshop to train decur sorghum farmers from Timbuktu. She is Co-coordinator of the INTSORMIL West Africa program; Entomology Chair for Sorghum Improvement Conference of North America; National Program Co-chair for 2,500 scientific presentations and Vice President of Plant-Insect Ecosystems for the Entomological Society of America; and Editor of *Southwestern Entomologist* journal. This year, she taught 55 students in sophomore Economic Entomology and 18 in senior and graduate Field Crop Entomology courses at West Texas A&M University where she is Secretary of Faculty Senate, Chair of the WT Women’s Dorm Treats project for 1,375 students, and as Co-chair of the Ag Scholarship Committee manages paperwork for 480 students and $175,000. Bonnie also leads a 4-H entomology club and is Rotary District Rotaract Director, and Youth Director, Scholarship Chair, and Pianist for Canyon Rotary. She and Mike are in the process of purchasing from 20 heirs 400 acres of woodland near Hawley.

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Mike (Texas A&M 1993 Anthropology PhD) is still working at the Texas A&M University Microscopy and Imaging Center (in a brand new building), running a scanning electron microscope (SEM) and teaching the lab portion of a class in SEM. While working with Dorothy Washburn (a researcher working with southwestern archeological pottery), he discovered an innovative marker element to directly detect the organic component of carbon paint in prehistoric pottery. He has submitted this work to Microscopy Today and hopes it will be accepted for publication. Mike has also discovered a new method of imaging starch concentrations in sorghum seeds with his wife Bonnie Pendleton (CSU-C 1981 MA Anthropology, Texas A&M 1992 Entomology PhD). The depth of these concentrations appears to be related to the resistance of the stored seeds to weevil infestation. Bonnie studies how resistant newly developed sorghum varieties are to predation by insect pests in the field and in storage, and the level of resistance to weevil damage has been related to Mike’s methods of imaging starch inside of seeds. Mike’s previous sorghum research involved cryo-freezing the seeds in liquid nitrogen and fracturing them to obtain an image of the internal structure, but the current technique allows for controlled cross-sectioning of fixed seeds by ultramicrotomy prior to analysis. Mike will present this data with Bonnie this November at the Entomological Society of America meeting in Reno, Nevada. A very thin and pitifully lost cat adopted Mike as her human caretaker and decided to reside with him. After some observation, Mike determined that she was very farsighted and that was the reason she could not survive well in the wild. While playing, she would chase a far-away object but could not focus on the object when she got close to it, so catching a bird or insect was difficult for her. Despite this problem, she (“Kitty”) is a frisky and playful cat and seems to enjoy the occasional nap and looking at distant birds from behind a window pane.

Leslie Bramall BA & MA Chico State  
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Leslie retired from a long career with the Phone Company about a dozen years ago. Just recently, Leslie completed a small project: finding a permanent home for a small collection of papers pertaining to the life and works of King Zany, a.k.a. Charles Dill, the “Desert Poet.” King Zany (1889-1939) was a composer, nightclub entertainer, silent film actor/director, and at the end of his life, a poet. A horseback riding accident ended his film career, and, in the depths of the Great Depression, King Zany retired to the Mojave Desert to write poetry that found a worldwide audience. CSU San Bernardino has accepted the collection of letters, books, photographs, newsletters, and other materials, which will give researchers fresh, original materials to study this fascinating period and enigmatic individual.

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I graduated with an M.A. in anthropology in Fall 2010. Since June 2011, I have been the Lab Manager for a CRM firm in Ridgecrest, California. By next fall, I hope to be enrolled in a doctoral program focusing on Forensic Anthropology/Skeletal biology.

Bruce Welden BA & MA Chico State  
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Twenty-five years with Auto Club (AAA) Litigation specialist... Left Chico in September 2004 and seven years now in Colorado. I still call Chico home when people ask me where I’m from. I will be back and hope its sooner than later.
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Talal Alsaleem is responsible for directing and supervising the different aspects of Therapeutic Solutions’ programs such as planning, implementing and maintaining policies and procedures to ensure quality patient care and services. With over six years of experience in a variety of public, private, and non profit settings providing individual, group and family therapy, he brings a special expertise working with trauma and addiction. Talal is a certified brief strategic family therapist who has a passion for people and an affinity for teaching. He is dedicated to ensuring patients receive the appropriate level of care and have a plan to create a better chance of success. Prior to joining Therapeutic Solutions, Talal gained experience working at Butte County Cal Work, Monterey County Children’s Behavioral Health, and Walden House Trauma Informed Substance Abuse Treatment program. Talal holds a Master’s degree in Clinical Psychology with an emphasis in Marriage and Family Therapy from California State University, Chico Talal is married to the most wonderful and amazingly creative Angela Alsaleem (horror writer). He lives with his wife and his daughter Sabiha in Gridley California with their mischievous Aussies Layla and Atreyu.

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“Big changes” is the theme for the past year and half. We moved our family back to California, after spending 7 years in Charlottesville, Virginia, with a brief stint of fieldwork in the Upper Amazon region of Brazil. We find ourselves nestled in the roots of Mount Lassen--its truly beautiful country. I’ve held a position with the University of Virginia, School of Medicine, for the past 8 years, working as the head administrator for education for the Department of Pediatrics. I still hold the position while living in California. My job is the first of its kind to be 100% telecommute. It was a struggle to breakdown the glass ceiling, and implement a new vision of efficient work- space, thus opening the door for others to think of innovative ways of creating a sustainable work environment (I think Dr. Carolyn Heinz would be proud). It was a risk, but is panning out beautifully. I was recently awarded an employee recognition award by the University, and am in the process of writing a paper to give at the Annual COMSEP (Committee on Medical Student Education in Pediatrics) meeting in March. As a side, I’m homeschooling our (Matthew D.S. Meyer, CSUC MA 2001) two daughters, Grace Ann (7) and Madeline Quinn (5), and have picked back up a writing project chronicling the parallel lives of two American mothers living Brazil.

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Paul graduated from Chico with a BA in Anthropology in 1978 then enrolled in the Ph.D. program at University of Washington. He received his PhD in 1990 based on extensive field work in the Nile Delta of Egypt where he worked for a number of seasons. His last season in 2006 he assisted with a project in the Valley of the Kings excavating an undecorated tomb with colleague Dr. Don Ryan from PLU. Since 1991 Paul has lived in Las Vegas NV where he is currently Associate Professor of Anthropology at Nevada State College. He also has an appointment (Assoc. Research Professor) at the Desert Research Institute. He taught a field school in NW Arizona for a number of years, and has on-going research into the prehistory of the Arizona Strip/Mt Trumbull area of that part of Arizona. His research interests include: Prehistoric human adaptation to arid environments of western North America, the transition from food collecting to food producing economies in the Southwestern U.S. and Egypt, the impact of technological change on prehistoric cultures, and applications of remote sensing and geoarchaeology to prehistory. He has published on remote sensing research and other archaeological projects in international, national, and regional peer-reviewed journals. Paul is married to Maureen since 1985 (also an archaeologist who worked extensively in Siberia), and has a 22 year old son at Univ. NV Reno and a 14 year old daughter. At the age of 55 Paul took up running, and has competed two marathons to date, with the 3rd to be the Las Vegas marathon Dec. 2011.

![Paul Buck](image)
Melanie Beasley MA Chico State
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I am starting my third year in the PhD program at UCSD in Anthropology. This year I have traveled to Baja California to work on a collaborative project with Dr. Eric Ritter and INAH. I won the student paper award at the Society for American Archaeology annual meeting in Sacramento and the paper was co-authored by CSU-Chico faculty member, Dr. Eric Bartelink. I am currently deep in dissertation prep work on my proposed dissertation analyzing fossil animal remains for paleoecological and paleodiet reconstruction from an early 3.5 million year old hominid site in Africa. So my life is bones and isotopes!

Carrie Brown MA Chico State
Carrie is currently on leave from her position as Forensic Anthropologist at the JPAC-CIL to pursue her doctorate at the University of Florida (Gainesville, FL). She is working with Dr. Michael W. Warren.

Mary Maniery BA and MA Chico State
Mary is still alive and kicking and working hard in CRM and historical archaeology.

Evlyn Turner BA Chico State
The date sheet from Clan Destiny is a reminder to Evlyn that another year has flown by. She says her frequent visits to the Island in Puget Sound are wonderful ways to break her usual routine. Even though she always watches for the orcas, she has not seen them. Fall means all of Evlyn’s volunteer activities and classes are filling her calendar, and life goes merrily on.

Susan Fuhr-Dunn BA Chico State
Susan retired after 28 years with the Sacramento County Probation Department. She looks forward to private employment and traveling abroad.
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