

AN THRO ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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Greetings to alums from all of us at CSUC. The Department stays active to say the least. EIR's (Environmental Impact Reports) under contract to State and Federal agencies are keeping archaeology students employed through the summer (no field school this year) and generating enough income to hire a full-time archaeologist for next year (so the Recruiting Committee is busy).

Trinity Hall in which the Museum and some faculty offices were housed is being "earthquake proofed" so the Museum has been dismantled and the collections are stored for the next two years, and faculty will have to find new "homes".

New in the Fall is the Anthropology House, one of the University-owned "old houses" on Third Street which is being opened in September as a residence for ten anthropology students. They will pay rent but promises to be an interesting academic experience. Bet their decor will be interesting!

The American Anthropological Association has produced a great new book, Anthropology and Jobs, which lists 34 occupations open to B.A. and M.A. graduates in anthropology, and also provides names and addresses of agencies to be contacted for further information. If you are still in search of ways to apply your training, get a copy (only \$1, from AAA, 1703 New Hampshire Ave. NW, Washington, D.D. 20009,) and your editor publicly applauds the Association for this effort.

Also the American Anthropological Association will hold its annual meetings in San Francisco Dec. 2-6, 1975 (Fairmont, Mark Hopkins and other hotels). Hope that many of you can attend and we look forward to seeing you there.

Congratulations to the four students who completed MA's this spring--Alan Adams, Michael Cohn, Margot Jenkins and Moon Jee Madrigal.

And if you are in the area, don't forget to come by and say "hello". Keith Johnson is sure to be around, trying to keep on top of the varied activities of the department and one jump ahead of the many deadlines imposed upon department chairmen.

Some sage recounted this "Bone Story": Within every group, there are four kinds of people: those who sit around and dream about the work that needs doing--they are "wishbones"; those who talk about what needs doing, the "jawbones"; those who criticize what others have done, the "knucklebones"; and--those who get up and do the work, the "backbones".

Have a good year, and thanks for responding to both the Alumni Newsletter and the Self-Study Questionnaires!

NOTES FROM THE FACULTY:

Beverly Chiñas will be returning to the Isthmus of Tehuantepec soon after classes end and will be there enjoying (?) a 1-semester sabbatical leave and gathering ethnographic data on the modernization of the market, diet and nutrition, out-migration and other interesting subjects. I am anticipating this time with the Isthmus Zapotecs with joy. Not so joyous is the prospect of 6 months of Isthmus climate and primitive living conditions. Camping out in the U.S. is positively sumptuous by comparison.

John Dewey is the same "Uncle" John, varyingly with/without beard and continues to enjoy his fishing, interspersed with repairing a fence downed by high winds and assorted "chores".

Tom Johnson has been deeply involved in Liberal Studies programs this past year, including teaching courses at Redding and elsewhere.

Mark Kowta reports in the semester just concluded, our archaeology field class undertook two projects. First, after delays due to an exceptionally long wet season, the class participated in a project in the Lake Oroville area headed by graduate student Richard Markley for the State Beaches and Parks Department. Working through hailstorms and fording a creek to get to the site, the class test excavated what appears at the present time to be a two component habitation area consisting of an earlier mano/metate horizon with large points and a later one with associated bedrock mortars and small points of side-notched and barbed varieties. One new aspect of the training and data recording for the site was the collection and identification of ethnobotanical specimens.

A second project consisted of a preliminary search for John Bidwell's adobe--(the one he lived in before the mansion was built, and which was dismantled sometime between 1871 and 1877). Soil resistivity and seismographic surveys have revealed sub-surface anomalies which will be explored further during the coming year.

The seminar in archaeological methods undertook to construct and utilize for analysis a hypothetical regional model consisting of a geographical setting and numerous sites spanning a number of temporal phases and varied settlement types. This served as a focus for discussion and individual projects concerning regional research plans, hypotheses testing, sampling strategies, and statistical techniques for locational analysis.

Last year's advanced laboratory class produced a paper on Chico area shell bead sequences and analysis by Dick Markley (subsequently read at the SCA meetings in Santa Cruz), a preliminary X-ray fluorescence study of steatite quarry identification by Steve Baylor, and micro-edge wear analysis of lithic tools by Michael Spitzer and Debbie McCall.

We are pleased to report that a number of our students are participating in summer field schools or projects in Nevada, Washington, Utah, New Mexico, and California; also, at least six will be working with the National Forest Service in various archaeological capacities. M. Kowta will be attempting to finish a statistics workbook for archaeology and his archaeological illustrations manual. Have a good summer!

Art Lehmann says it's teaching as usual this summer beginning with the introduction of a new course offering, THE ANTHROPOLOGY OF SEX AND DEVIANCE (1 unit) during the pre-session, and followed by MAGIC, WITCHCRAFT AND RELIGION (3 units) during the regular session. The summer will be spent in pictorial library research directed at non-Western architecture which hopefully will result in a publication. After classes the Lehmanns

(Sharon, Art and Jonathan) will travel to Ontario, Canada to visit the "folks". No doubt they will also stop "back home again in Indiana," God's country! (according to Art anyway). In between all of this the Lehmanns intend to get in considerable camping and fishing.

Turhon Murad says all in all, Jackie and I can look back on what was a good year. Turhon received his Ph.D. from Indiana University in April. The title of his dissertation is The North Alaskan Eskimo Intra-Population Variation for Palmar Dermatoglyphics. Jackie continues to remain busy with volunteer work while this past spring Turhon and Roger Lederer, of the Biology Department team taught a seminar on human evolution. Turhon is presently relaxing by the Myer's pool and jotting down notes for use in "The Individual: From Precreation to the Grave", a new course in physical to be offered this Fall.

Jim Myers will start his sixteenth (sixteenth, not sixtieth!) year of teaching at dear ol' Chico State this September. He says he is just as excited about meeting his classes now as he was back in 1960.

Jim also admits to the embarrassment of having to step up his application of STA-GRAY in order to keep pace with the rich splashes of natural gray now running rampant in colleague Art Lehmann's hair.

Valene Smith has had an exceptionally busy year--four professional papers, organizing a day-long symposium on Tourism and Culture Change (AAA meetings, Mexico City) and editing all the papers for publication, as well as researching and preparing a major grant proposal in anticipation of Arctic field work during a Spring, 1976 sabbatical leave. Somehow it all got done, mostly in the "wee small hours" and primarily thanks to Alice (Briggs) whose nimble fingers and never-failing patience produced endless pages of clean manuscript. Next November, at the AAA meetings, there will be another 1/2 day session on Tourism and Culture Change.

On the lighter side, with Ed we studied "tourism" last summer on a long, hard trip to Pakistan, visiting the Princely States of Chitral, Gilget, Swat--and fabled Hunza (the last Americans to meet the Mir before he was deposed), and to Uzbukistan, the land of Tamerlane; for 1975, it is Eastern Europe.

Charles Urbanowicz for 1975-76 is the new coordinator of Liberal Studies, and has bought a house and really settled into Chico.

NEWS FROM ALUMS

ELIZABETH BAUER (BA 71) worked last winter at Bandelier National Monument, then was upgraded to Intermittent Park Technician aiding in the development of a new museum consisting of a reconstructed cave and talus house, historic Pueblo room and a rotating exhibit. Following a 5-week trip to Europe with Dawna Curler, Liz will be working at Mesa Verde National Park through this summer.

LESLIE BRAMALL (BA 71) is working for Western Electric in Sacramento.

ROD BRAWLEY (BA 70) is Coordinator of Multi-Media Instruction in Manual Communication at the California School for the Deaf in Riverside. "We completed production of films for our Title III project. The objective is to provide hearing parents of going deaf children with individualized instruction in manual communication. The films are behaviorally based, providing parents with sign language skills necessary to achieve basic communication with their children and allow continued skill growth. The hardware consists of a rear screen projector with instant replay and freeze action in a cartridge Super 8 mm. format. We are currently

evaluating the films in homes. One more project year remains. We plan to produce fifteen additional films as an expansion of the eleven produced this year. Things are great. Usually, I ride the horse in the direction its going."

JEANNE (WRIGHT) BROWN (BA 68) is doing substitute teaching at Grass Valley and caring for the "new arrival", Jason who "already loves playing in the dirt with my trusty trowel --a budding archaeologist...my main goal now is to learn to write children's stories and articles. I'm enrolled in a writing program and hope to use my anthro background for a source of subject material."

ALEEWAH (MARVIN) CHANCELLOR (BA 69) is in Paradise and "anthropology and librarianship have been temporarily set aside while I enjoy the company of my first daughter, (March 10, 1975). She and my husband require all my attention at the present leaving no time for a profession...becoming a mother has been the greatest of my accomplishments and will be the most long lasting of my careers. Ken and I are very proud parents."

MARY CONDON (BA 70) is department secretary in the Departments of Physics and Geology at Sonoma State, and looking forward to an August trip to Iceland--"if anyone knows of any archaeological sites worth visiting please let me know. We've heard that it's good hiking country--in between glaciers and volcanoes."

DOUGLAS CRISPIN (BA 74) works for Archaeological Research Institute (Costa Mesa) and is currently at the Big Hole National Battlefield in Montana doing salvage archaeology. "When I first got my winter job doing salvage archaeology for A.R.I., I felt Dr. Kowta had given me a good background in the techniques of field archaeology. Also, Henry Bass in the lab was a great help on a day-to-day basis, helping me with my artifact identification. I would appreciate it if someone would relay my thanks to them, as I never got around to doing it personally until now."

DAWNA R. CURLER (BA 70) is an Interpretive Specialist with the Department of Parks and Recreation, State of California, working as a Curator-Registrar for all the historical parks and monuments within the State.

LINDA DANK (BA 74) is enrolled in the M.S. program in Accounting at San Jose State and "word of warning to anyone interested in attending SJS for purposes of obtaining M.A. in Anthropology, the graduate program won't be set up until 1978!" Linda's husband, Terry, is also a 74 CSUC grad and works for Price Waterhouse in San Jose. They have offered guest housing to faculty, staff or students who may venture their way as "we'd love the company"--4425 Norwalk Dr., #9, San Jose 95129. Phone: 408-342-7135.

DAVID DOYEL (Ma 72) is the Staff Archaeologist for Arizona State Museum in Tucson, and Ph.D. candidate at the U. of A. "After spending three months in the field (doing what I enjoy most), I had to settle down to study for my qualifying exams. After four nervous months of cramming, I finally succeeded in passing the exams, so it should be down hill from here on for my Ph.D. I thoroughly enjoy my work, and the Southwest is a marvelous place to spend some time. I still try to find the time for my hobbies, of which back-packing into the desert is foremost. Other activities include attending numerous archaeological conferences and acting as an editor for a new journal, The American Anthropologist -- I still continue to crank out publications."

PAM (DELAY) LEE (BA 72) is a "domestic scientist in Redding in charge of a two person dwelling, Irish setter, that same wierd cat, and a bad-tempered cockatiel whose chief virtue is grooming my husbands' moustache. Patrick is an air photo technician with an engineering firm."

- CHERY FRANK (BA 73) is a housewife and volunteer teacher's aide--"I am aiding in an open classroom with children K-2. One of the things I have done or am doing is a 'unit' on children of the world. We have, among other things, had visitors from Israel, Kenya, England, Hawaii, Japan (Tom and Kimie Johnson), and Korea (Moon Jee Madrigal), and have even cooked in class a number of foreign dishes. We hope to have more visitors before the end of the year. If I haven't used my own years of study very much, I have at least taken advantage of the anthropology department!"
- JOHN FURRY (BA 73) is the Physical Anthropology Lab Technician and "a few words about the Physical Anthro Lab current research includes: a faunal type collection of the Northern California Area; Reconstruction and preservation of skeletal remains from several sites; work has been started on paleopathology and several diseases have been identified in the skeletal remains in the Chico area. A display on paleopathology has been set up in the hall outside Butte 303. Come and visit the lab; it is open from 8 AM to 4 PM weekdays." (Editor's note: John very modestly doesn't tell you that he is deeply involved in identification of a possible murder victim, so is getting into forensic anthropology).
- DEBRA GALEOTTI (BA 72) is a medical assistant to two San Francisco physicians, and has vacationed in Mexico, Canada, and hopes to get to Hawaii this year.
- BARRY HEWLETT (MA candidate) returned from the Peace Corps in Africa in March 74, took off to Guatemala for a winter trip, and is currently an Eligibility Worker, Tehama County Department of Social Welfare, living in Red Bluff.
- BELLE HICKS (MA 74) is teaching anthropology (evening division) at Shasta College in Redding and passes along recommendations for those interested in religion: Trance, Healing and Hallucination by Felicitas Goodman, et al (John Wiley, 1975) and Hallucinogens and Shamanism by Michael Harner (Oxford University Press, 1973).
- STEVE HOGUE (BA 72) is a census enumerator in San Diego.
- MARGOT JENKINS (MA 75) is an Educational Anthropology Researcher in Minneapolis and "living in Minnesota has been a very different experience including the worst blizzard of the century, driving on ice and snow, seeing ice houses on the lakes in the winter, and looking forward to when the temperature hits 35°. Seriously, for a large city, Minneapolis is surprisingly like a small town, and especially in its concern for the affect of the population, it is to be commended."
- GAIL JENNER (BA 73) continues to teach at Etna (California) High and "created an anthro class as an elective for high school juniors and seniors at Etna High". (She also brought them twice this past year by bus to visit the Museum and the Labs...and welcome again, Gail!)
- BONNIE SUE JONES (BA 73) is teaching at Mountain View in two special programs: English as a Second Language, and the Mentally Gifted Minors program. They are moving this summer to Santa Barbara where her husband has been accepted into a Traineeship in Medical Technology.
- WILLIAM KINNICUTT (BA 70) is still in construction at Redding, and little Jacob is almost two.
- RICHARD KRIEGER (BA 70) is moving to Victoria this summer because of a new job as photographer and graphics for a small town. "Would be interested in making contact with old Chico friends in that area. I can be reached at 3109 Glasgow Avenue, Victoria, BC after August 1st."
- KEN LEIVERS (MA 74) is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Chicago, and is trying to select the 15 books for the Fundamentals List on which he will be examined in Fall 1976, and debating about taking Greek this summer. "As you can tell, not much difference in life style from my work at Chico."

DEBBIE McCALL (BA 73) has worked this past winter as Student Assistant for the Museum which "is closing down while earthquake structuring is underway..a petition was circulated which asked for temporary housing for the Museum. Perhaps others would like to write to the Administration expressing their good thoughts on the Museum."

KATHLEEN (FOSTER)McCORMACK (BA 73) is Head Teller at the Marysville Branch of Citizens Savings and Loan Assn, and "my anthropology background has helped me in dealing with savings and loan customers."

JOAN MIDDLETON (BA 72) is a writer and editor for the National Park Service, living in Golden, Colorado, and has been involved in field surveys and EIR's for the USNPS.

JOHNNY MOORE (MA 73) is living in Dos Palos and is an ag pilot for "crop dusting at night is especially fascinating--pays well too. I made over \$5000/month for about 4 months last summer."

NANCY MORGANS (BA 72) is living in Stockton where she is a medical representative with Stuart Pharmaceuticals, and says "anthropology has helped me to relate with the wide variety of people I meet daily. Work with the Indian reservations ordering medication and with Chinese doctors providing information on new techniques in cardiology." And she's engaged.....

JOHN NYSTROM (BA 74) went and did it--he moved to Pinedale Wyoming and extends "come and visit Big Wyoming."

REBECCA PECK (BA 74) writes from Houston that "my husband Michael has been accepted at the University of Nevada-Reno for Fall 75, so we will head west sometime this summer. Living in Houston was somewhat of a 'cultural shock' coming as we did from Chico. Texans are truly a different breed! We have promised ourselves never to live in a large city again..money or no."

GARY PETERSON (BA 72) writes from Red Bluff that "although anthropology has been of absolutely no value to me economically, I'm not dissatisfied.. it has its place in academic studies if for no other reason than it has considerable knowledge to impart."

DENNIS QUILLEN (BA 74) is a Graduate Assistant in Physical and reports he is working diligently and trying to keep up with Graduate school work while working as Grad Assistant and for the State of California Parks and Recreation Department excavations in Oroville, run by Richard Markley. "I would like to say hello and send best wishes from Karen and I to those whom we haven't seen for awhile; Rich and Paula Arnold, Mike and Linda and the little one, and hello and contratulations to Paul Finnegan."

PHYLLIS QUINN (MA 73) says "this has been my year for conventions and meetings. Belle Hicks and I made it to the Folklore Convention in Portland last October, where we presented a paper. We also went to the AAA meeting in Mexico City where we each read a paper by someone who was unable to be there (all the fun, none of the work!). I also went to the meeting of the California Council on Social Studies in Sacramento in March, where I found out about some neat simulation games, and to the California Folklore Society in April. Hoping for reaching opportunities to use some of the material I have gathered."

BARBARA RICH (BA 71) is still at the Mill Street School in Orland and "in kindergarten, we study Eskimos, Indians, people of other lands."

LUCY SKJELSTAD (BA 71; MA, "soon I hope") has been the Museum Technician for CSUC and although it is closing for renovation "collections have been coming in thick and fast: materials from Viet Nam including a full-size basketry boat; Zambia (stone age lithics), Angola, the Pacific and more. Should be great when we reopen. Attended an AASLH (Association for State and Local History) Seminar at the Oakland Museum in February. It was very informative and stimulating and I'd recommend their seminars highly for any other grads in Museum work. No. 1 daughter, Aleta, spent

4 months in India; wish I could do the same!"

ROZ SQUAIR (BA 73) is living in Piedmont and is substituting in Oakland, grades 4-6.

JOHN VAN FOSSEN (BA 73) moved to Werribee, Victoria, Australia where he is teaching history and geography in the high school, and taken students on field trips--one to the "outback". If you are in the area, address is 25 Anderson St., Flat 1, Werribee.

LON VARVEL (BA 74) is an ECE Aide in Redding.

MARY (ZACHRY) VARVEL (BA 73) is teaching at the State Children's Center in Enterprise.

DIANE (JENSEN) WELCH (BA 71) is a primary teacher in Auburn and "I want to get hold of or if necessary develop an anthropology curriculum for elementary kids. Any ideas of someone to put me in contact with?"

CHRISTOPHER YATES (BA 70) did a hitch with the Peace Corps in Belize, British Honduras and enjoyed visiting the Aztec and Mayan ruins.

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Gridley Teacher Cited

GRIDLEY — Dorothy J. Shelton, a fifth grade teacher at the Manzanita Elementary School, has been listed among Outstanding Elementary

Teachers of America as local winner of a nationwide awards program of the same title.

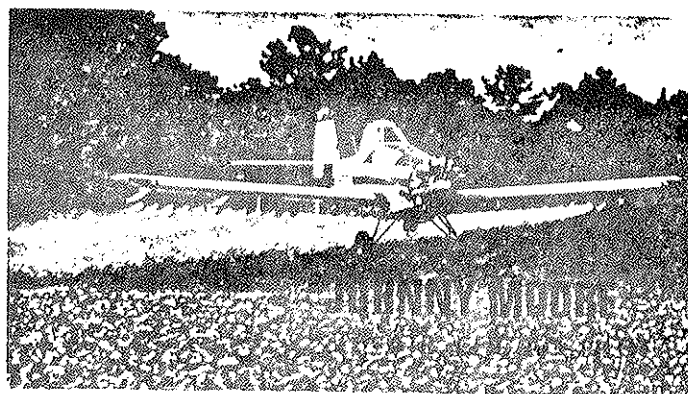
An announcement of the award from the national organization says a biography of the Gridley winner will be listed in its annual awards volume, and that she now is in competition for one of five \$500 national awards.

According to the announ-

cement, teachers chosen for the honor "have explored new paths, developed new insights and effectively communicated their knowledge to their students and colleagues." Guidelines for selection are listed as "an educator's talents in the classroom, contributions to research, administrative abilities, civic service and professional recognition."



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Keith Johnson reports that the department will hire two new archaeologists in the Fall, one to replace Beverly Chiñas and Valene Smith who will be on sabbatical, and another who will not teach but coordinate the Department's growing EIR responsibilities. This latter position will be a full-time research job funded by the University Foundation.

The Department will sponsor an Anthropology House also beginning in the Fall. Ten Anthropology majors will live together in the house located across the street from the BMU. A number of formal and informal programs are being planned with the house as focal point.

The Museum of Anthropology has closed down for at least a year while Trinity Hall is being earthquake proofed. When it reopens it will be the University Museum and will potentially include exhibits designed and installed by several units on campus.