IN AND AROUND CHICO NEWS

The economy continues to grow and Chico along with it. Downtown Chico continues to change. Wendy’s replaced Oy Vey! Bagels and then closed. Schlotzky's didn't make it either, but the first of the chains to invade Chico, Starbucks, is going strong. It replaced historic Lee Pharmacy, in Chico since the 1800s. Our newest addition is Chevy's which carried out a spectacular renovation of the early Bank of America building on the corner of 2nd and Broadway.

The old Senator Theater is having its troubles. Its picturesque tower is leaning a little onto 5th Street. It is safe. Just don't walk or drive by during an earthquake! And speaking of movie theaters, a new 13-screen United Artist theater awaits the demolition of the old Mervyn's building at the quiet North Valley Plaza Mall.

Health care in Chico has been simplified. Enloe Hospital just swallowed up Community Hospital to become the only game in town just as it was decades ago.

Chico continues to grow and change. Even more new wholesale stores, Home Depot and Office Max, have been added. Resident attitudes to these changes range from euphoria to lament.

IN AND AROUND DEPARTMENT NEWS

Enrollment is up and so appears to be the financial base of the University. The Department is in the midst of a number of important changes which will have a major effect on its future direction. The number of Anthropology majors increases while the faculty declines in number. Valene Smith, who has taught part-time in the Department for many years, has decided to retire from teaching completely to pursue her many other interests. For medical reasons, Makoto Kowta has also retired and plans to teach half-time and was voted emeritus status by his anthropology colleagues. Of course Keith Johnson became semi-retired last year, but some have said he has been semi-retired since 1963! Art Lehmann, battling cancer, took a medical leave in Fall 1998. Thus we are without three of our premier teachers who shaped the Department early on and have guided and sustained it ever since. In order to help us recover from this shock, the Department was given two new tenure-track positions and is actively recruiting for an archaeologist and a museology-cultural anthropologist to join us next August. In addition, Tom Johnson has elected to take a leave of absence next year, and we will be seeking a full-time temporary faculty member to fill in. The face of the Department is rapidly changing, and we will be relying more and more on new faculty to give us direction into the next century.

Last year the Department undertook a self-evaluation of the curriculum and the requirements of the major in Anthropology. Several changes were made to make our strong program even more rigorous. Responding to positive feedback from students on the methods and skills they acquired while here at CSUC, we increased the number of units required in the methods area of the major. Several new courses were also added including Cosmos and Cosmology, Cataclysmic Events in Human Prehistory, Forensic Anthropology, Human Behavioral Ecology, and Zooarchaeology.

Another major change for the Department is the conversion of one of our lecture rooms (Butte 305) into a new Ethnographic Laboratory. The Ethnographic Lab has been shaping up well under the direction of Bill Loker. A few tables and chairs were scrounged up, hours were held for students to drop in, and an Open House was held. The department received some unexpected equipment funds (c. $40,000!) last spring to technically upgrade our facilities so some new equipment was ordered for the lab: 3 computers with printers, 2 scanners, tape recorders, a
transcriber, 35mm cameras and a light table, plus the campus provided new 4x6' tables and chairs. The new lab is open daily and is supervised by Carolyn Heinz while Director Bill Lokr is in Honduras on a Fulbright. These are exciting times in relatively uncharted waters.

Frank Bayham became the department's new Chairman in August 1997.

Three faculty (3, a record in the department in one year) received promotions effective Fall 1998: Frank Bayham and P. Willey to Full Professor, and Bill Lokr to Associate Professor.

The department hosted a retirement celebration for Valene Smith last April in the Julia Morgan (the former President's Mansion) garden in honor of her 31 years of teaching on this campus. Several alumni attended. There were four speakers from campus (Turhon Murad represented the department) who shared some stories and her accomplishments.

Check out the department's Web page to keep abreast of all the changes: http://www.csuchico.edu/anth/. Stay in touch to receive next year's Clan Destiny and find out what's next.

FACULTY NEWS

Frank Bayham (1985) Frank is fully immersed, some say mired, in the activities associated with being chair (of the department) as well as his courses and the archaeology program. Last Spring he taught the Archaeology Field Survey course, visited sites, and conducted surveys from the Sacramento Valley to the Pit River Drainage and into the Great Basin. Apart from the incessant rain which drenched us nearly every weekend, the experiences were rewarding. Summer activities involved camping trips with his kids to Oregon and a family reunion on the beach at San Onofre, CA. Camping at San Onofre, in the shadow of a nuclear power plant adjacent to Interstate 5 and an immigration check point, was a distinct contrast to 'more natural' settings and vistas of northern California.

Beverly Chiñas (1968-1994) Bev still bike rides, observes nature, improves our registered NWF backyard habitat, takes Elderhostel sessions in various places, volunteers at B.E.C., serves on the board of the Audubon Society, reads many publications (of a lighter sort now days), gardens a bit (husband Carols does the hard part), and just enjoys each day as a special bonus. This summer they came on the internet and have e-mail (bchinias@sunset.net) capability at last.

Claire Farrer (1995) During the past year Claire published an introduction and study guide to The Stars We Know by Timothy McCleary; a chapter in a book Two-Spirit People: Native American Gender Identity, Sexuality, and Spirituality edited by Sue-Ellen Jacobs, Wesley Thomas, and Sabrine Lang; a book chapter in a theoretical book published in Germany with Rick Pimten (a Belgium colleague); and two folklore entries in a new encyclopedia. She delivered papers at professional meetings in Austin, TX and Albuquerque, and was ethnographer-in-residence at St. Mary's College in Maryland. With another CSU-Chico professor they took four freshmen honors students to Albuquerque last spring where all presented papers on course-linking, a new concept at CSU-Chico. Claire completed her first year as the Graduate Coordinator and "loved it!" Until mid-August Claire taught Southwest Folklore, Communication and Cultural Performances to teachers working on Master of Arts-Teaching degrees at Colorado College in Colorado Springs.

Carolyn Heinz (1997) Her manuscript "Asian Cultural Traditions" is being published by Waveland Press and should be available in Fall 1998. She and husband Don spent June in Beijing.

Keith Johnson (1963, FERP'd 1997) continues as director of the Museum of Anthropology and teaches in the Fall only. The new museum exhibit to open Fall 1998, as yet untitled, will interpret Butte County history for school children and will feature lots of hands-on activities. The 14th annual photo competition/exhibit in September was entitled KID COMPANIONS: CHILDREN & THEIR BEST FRIENDS. Keith continues as Museum Curator/Archivist for the Butte County Historical Society and last September arranged a home tour of the Language Houses, the Chico State Alumni House, and the Julia Morgan House (President's Mansion) in Chico for Society members and the public. He was also the Society's primary witness during two artifact theft trials in Oroville. Keith is also the district director for the California Association of Museums, reviewer of Federal museum grant applications, and is currently organizing a Festschrift in honor of his mentor at UCLA. Keith and wife Karen continue to travel to various professional meetings around the country and care for their two granddaughters as often as they can. Last year they visited Prince Edward Island tracing Keith's ancestors. In June they took a 10-day trip with Mike and Denise Findlay (not a guided tour this time) through the Southwest. A highlight was meeting alumna Cheryl Muceus (BA 76) at Ghost Ranch where she is director of the museum.
Art Lehmann (1969)  Art completed research in Central African Republic, Mexico, and Jamaica while on sabbatical leave last spring semester. He chaired a session entitled “Symbols and Sorcery” at the joint annual meeting of the Southwestern Anthropological Association and the California Folklore Society in Sacramento last April. He also presented a paper, "Obaah: Sorcery in Jamaica", and showed his recently completed 50 minute video "Sorcery in Jamaica" at the convention. Along with alumnus Dr. Barry Hewlett, (BA 71, MA 77) now at Washington State University, then worked together in Central African Republic last spring. Art centered his research on ordeals among the Aka hunter-gatherers and the Ngandu villagers and Hewlett continued his investigation of parenting with both of these societies.

Bill Loker (1996)  Bill received a Fulbright to continue his field work in Honduras from June to December of this year. He also received a National Geographic Grant for research in Honduras. Bill has a book coming out, Globalization and the Rural Poor in Latin America in December. He published a book chapter, "Water, Rights, and the El Cajon Dam in Honduras," in a volume titled Water, Culture and Power for Island Press. He also published two journal articles. The first is an article in Agricultural Systems titled "Pasture Performance and Sustainability in the Peruvian Amazon: Results of Long-term On-farm Research" and the other article "Campesinos and the Crisis of Modernization in Latin America" in The Journal of Political Ecology. Last semester he says he tortured students in Formal Methods refining techniques the second time around! He says he is glad to be at CSU-Chico and will miss Chico while he is in Honduras - "but not grading papers, no phone, no computer, no e-mail -- will he survive?!" [We are relieved to learn that Bill escaped Hurricane Mitch and is well. Ed]

Turhon Murad (1972)  Turhon, wife Jackie, and their family are all doing well. Jackie continues to work at Admissions and Records as a Records Technician. They recently celebrated their 30 year wedding anniversary and his 26 years at CSU-Chico. Oldest son Mark is now 21 and works as a mechanic when not involved with his first love (i.e., snowboarding). Younger son Todd is 16 and now a sophomore in high school. Turhon continues to publish periodically and work on forensic cases frequently. He has a chapter, "The Growing Popularity of Cremation Versus Inhumation: Some Forensic Implications", published in Forensic Ostology. Most recently he became a consultant for the Defense Department at CILHI which requires he go to Honolulu once a year. Turhon will be on sabbatical during the Spring 1999 semester and his plans include a trip to Memphis, Knoxville, Washington, D.C., and Orlando. He continues to teach around the state 8-10 times a year for the Department of Justice and Office of Public Safety. His newest "toy" is a Harley Sportster, dark green with moderate chrome and lots of fun. The Murads are currently ecstatic and excited that Turhon's older brother, Ferrid, received the Nobel Prize in medicine! They are planning to attend the award ceremonies in Stockholm in December.

James Myers, cowellmyers@olympus.net (1960-1994)  Type of work nowadays is "lounging" and continues to enjoy soaking up the wonderful gray skies of the Olympic Peninsula. Between visiting grandchildren in Chico and Salem, OR, he also enjoys marble carving symposia, sipping latté's (double half-decaf no-fat grandé extra hot), working with Art Lehmann on text revisions, and trying to avoid garden chores assigned by wife Lynn.

Valene Smith (1967, Retired June 1998)  Valene joined the ranks of the "retired". She says, "It's been a wonderful career, watching changes in anthropology. When I started, in 1947, there was no textbook and EOATHROPUS DAWSONI (Pitford Man) was 'for real'. We rejoiced when Herskovits wrote the first text, Man and His Works, and now we can search DNA, study tourism, palynology, and the effects of gravity on man in space!"

Charlie Urbanowicz (1973)  reports that he and wife Sadie became grandparents for the second time. Andrew Davis (born 2/98) joins Elisabeth Rose (5/96). Sadie no longer works outside the home, but is a fantastic full-time grandmother! Charlie is still active in teaching, Web Work, Darwin, and Tourism research, and he is keeping busy. The latest Darwin paper was presented at the Southwestern Anthro meetings in Sacramento in April '98 (if you're interested, it's available on the WWW at http://www.csuchico.edu/~curban/Darwin_Folklore.html = don't we just LOVE all those "simple" addresses!). Another WWW paper will be on the "gaming" (I) industry that he presented at the 14th International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences in Williamsburg last summer (where Valene and Keith and Mike Findlay also presented papers). In July '98 Charlie will have a small part in a Court Theatre production See How They Run (what an appropriate title he writes!) and plans on auditioning for a Spring '99 campus production. Darwin, tourism, and "elderhosteling" all coming together, in anticipation of the year 2009! Hint: Darwin was born in 1809 and Origin was published in 1859 so the bicentennial and sesquicentennial year should be interesting and Charlie is planning for the future.

P. Willey (1989)  celebrated his 9th year at CSU-Chico with an article published in the American Journal of Physical Anthropology, spoke at the Smithsonian Institution; presented a paper "After the Battle: The Bodies and the Bones of the Seventh Cavalry" given at the Historical Clinicopathologic Conference, Department of Medicine, University of Maryland, Baltimore in January 1998; helped teach a course at the National Museum of Health and Medicine; and promoted to Full Professor effective Fall 1998. Research on the skeletons from the Battle of the Little Bighorn has culminated in a published monograph with a broader perspective forthcoming in book form this
fall. Another publication during the past year include:

Willey, P., Alison Galloway, and Lynn Snyder

In the meanwhile the forensic work continues. Again, P. was elected vice president of the American Board of Forensic Anthropology and began the first year of a five year contract with the Department of Defense as an advisor in MIA recoveries and identifications. On a personal level, wife Judy and he bought a house near One Mile. Judy is nearing completion of the kitchen renovation and is starting work on the landscaping, first tackling the sprinkler system. The house's wiring, plumbing, and roofing also cry for her [her! Ed.] attention. During this summer they plan to do more backpacking, camping, and caving.

STAFF

Trudy Waldrop (1980), Department Secretary, celebrated her 21st anniversary at CSU-Chico and 30 years of marriage this year.

Greg White (1996), Director of the Archaeology Lab. Greg has been incredibly active this past year balancing his efforts among the Archaeology Lab, the Archaeological Research Program (ARP), and his family...not necessarily in that order! Linked to development of the Archaeological Research Program, he has sought new partnerships with land managing agencies in the Chico region. In the winter of 1997, Greg completed a number of improvements to the Archaeology Lab enhancing facilities for instruction and research. He established relationships and tentative agreements with a number of contracting firms and federal and state agencies. This year, in addition to teaching an archaeological field school in the Ishi Wilderness and the Plumas National Forest, Greg sought and won a number of substantial awards totaling $188,000. Projects include archeo/geomorphic survey and mapping in the Beckworth region, Plumas County; excavation of a major midden site along Mill Creek, Tehama County; and specialist consulting for Caltrans' Guadalupe Corridor project in the City of San Jose.

Prospects for next year indicate that we will be at or near this scale of activity with five awards (BLM Ukiah, USFS Tahoe National Forest, USFS Lassen National Forest, DPR Sonoma, and USFS Plumas National Forest) totaling around $70,000 already in negotiation. Projects include initiating a multi-year program of investigations at the Borax Lake site, another early Holocene site nearby, and a 106 Process mitigation evaluation of a late prehistoric shell midden on the Mendocino County coast. All these activities and prospects have energized students, and the Archaeology Lab is a bustling hub of activity.

New on board as of July 1, 1998 are two staff techs members. Kuri Gill, Curator, Museum of Anthropology and Jason Wiersema, Tech Physical Lab.

Kuri's home is Springfield, Oregon. She received her BA in Art History from the University of Oregon in 1993. After her MA in Museum Studies here, she plans to work in an art museum as an exhibit designer.

Jason received his BA in 1997 from SW Texas State University, Austin. His future plans include obtaining a Ph.D. and applying for employment with the FBI.

[The year after each name above represents the year the person was hired in the Department.]

NEW GRADUATES 1997-98


MA:  Tracy HOKAJ (cultural) "Anthropologist as Positioned Subject: An Encounter with a Gaudiya Vaisnava Temple of West Bengal"
Kim HOLANDA (archaeology) "Archaeological Inferences from Body Part Analyses: Implications of the Archaeofaunal Remains from Tommy Tucker Cave"


Anastasia "Stacy" LEIGH (archaeology) "Seasonality in Archaeological Faunal Assemblages: Applications of Cementum Increment Analysis to Deer from Northern California"

Laura MORRIS (physical) "Genocide, Sterilization and the Navajo"

Mimi Bourne VON ROTZ (cultural) "Acculturation and Second Language Acquisition in Post-Secondary Education"

ALUMNI NEWS

Phyllis Quinn, BA 70, MA 73, and former part-time instructor in the department passed away on January 22, 1998.

1960s

1968

Jerry Holland, Quincy, CA, jerryholland@thegrid.net, (BA) is the full-time Director of the Plumas Charter School.

Joanne M. Mack, Claremont, CA, joanne.m.mack.13@nd.edu, (attended post-graduate studies 1968-69, MA 1971 U. Wyoming, Ph.D. 1979 U.Oregon) is an Associate Professor of Anthropology and Curator of Native American Art at the University of Notre Dame. The Upper Klamath River Project continues with the support of the B.L.M. Medford and Redding Offices and Pacific Power. This was its seventh summer of field studies.

1969

David E. Doyel, Scottsdale, AZ, ddoyle@doitnow.com (BA, MA 72, Ph.D. 77 Arizona) Dave recently finished a 12 month stint of fieldwork in Central Arizona. He refuses to admit that field archaeology is for the young! He has been listed in Who's Who in the West and Who's Who International. He and wife Sharon went on a three week vacation to England (London-York) and Jordan last Christmas. They visited sites dating from the Neolithic to the Middle Ages - "what history there is to see there!" They recommend it to all.

William Kinnicutt, Chico, (BA, MA 72) It's been a good news-bad news year for Bill. First the bad news. On September 6, 1997 while riding his bike over a wooden ranch bridge the front tire got caught between two boards, flipping him onto the rocks (yes, he missed the water) 25 feet below. This popped open his pelvis and smashed his no. 3 lumbar vertebra. Bill says he now carries enough metal to set off airport detectors. Afterward he developed a secondary infection and on September 29 his gallbladder was removed. During this period his marriage of 28 years ended. This and medical expenses Bill says, "has left me at 52 years old broke." Now the good news. Son Jacob is very happily married and attends college on the coast. Daughter Beth is now a junior at Chico State and showing her glass work at art shows. In the Fall (1998) Bill started a Master's program in Studies in International Languages and Cultures at CSU-Chico. He's even taking Anthro classes. All in all Bill writes, "Life is still good."

Elizabeth Schmidt, Castle Rock (new), WA (BA) Since her retirement from HUD Elizabeth finds that life has a slower pace in some respects but notices things around her which she never had time to notice before, "Simple but beautiful things like birds and flowers, etc. I find more time to read the things more interesting instead of required reading." She keeps up to date with all the anthropology news she can gather. This, Elizabeth says, will always be a very important part of her life. "It becomes more exciting as time goes on." Husband Jeffrey and she are working on his second book of poetry. [She sent the department a copy of the first printing of his first book Shades of Grey. The book is dedicated to Middle their black and first wolf who was shot while tied to the side of their house.] Son Ryan is still with the Los Angeles school district and younger son Blair is still a Washington State Trooper and on their SWAT team. Elizabeth writes that she is very proud of her sons. "I learn so much from them and try to be a better person like they are."
1970s

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Richard Krieger, BC Canada, rkrieger@islandnet.com, (BA) is self-employed raising and selling llamas and alpacas. After CSU-Chico he attended Arizona State U for two years, moved to Victoria, BC in 1975, married in 1985, daughters Kimberly was born in 1987 and Eryn was born in 1989, began llama and alpaca business with wife Maggie in 1987, and moved to Salt Spring Island in 1985 where they built their home, barn and farm.

1971

Barry Hewlett, Washington, (BA, MA 1977) is an Associate Professor at Washington State U. This past year Barry's accomplishments include identifying the most recent Ebola outbreak utilizing ethnographic methods while in NE Gabon doing study of cultural context of Ebola; published/editor of special supplement to Tropical Medicine and International Health "Human behavior and cultural context in disease control" (article-ethnographical contributions to a community based schistosomiasis control project in northern Cameroon); and had a wonderful sabbatical year making several trips to Africa (one especially nice one with Art Lehmann), one to Pavia, Italy to lecture and work with Cavalli Sforza, and several to D.C. where he did research collaboration with psychologists at the National Institute of Child Health and Development.

Margot Jenkins, Brookings, SD, jenkinsm@adm.sdsstate.edu, (BA, MA 1975) Margot is currently the International Student Advisor at South Dakota State University. She was with the Peace Corps in Honduras 1986-90 during which she received a USAID grant to assist with translation of Head Start manual, Parents as Partners, into Spanish. The grant also included training sessions for kinder teachers, student teachers, and parents in early childhood stimulation. This manual originated in Paradise, CA and upon her return from the Peace Corps the Spanish language version was presented to the office of Migrant Education in Sacramento. Margot traveled to China (1984) and Guatemala (1989-90). She received the Joseph J. Malone Fellowship to travel to Saudi Arabia in April 1996 as the guest of the Saudi Arabian Chamber of Commerce. She visited Jeddah, Riyadh, Damman, Dhahran, and Jubail. An Intro to Cultural Anthropology course at Yuba College sealed her fate she says and changed her from a history major to anthropology when she entered CSU-Chico. Her children were dubious about her choice but she had no doubts. Today Margo has one daughter with a BA in Anthro from Macalester College and a grandson with strong language skills (Spanish, German, Japanese) and a granddaughter with a fascination for ancient Egypt. Margo asks, "Has anyone isolated the gene yet??"

1972

G. Belle Hicks, Ukiah, CA, belle@zapcom.net, (BA, MA 1974) Belle is thrilled that she is retired and "puttering". She says that it was a great day seeing friends and catching up on gossip at Valene's retirement celebration.

Johnny Moore, Quincy, CA, sugarpine@thegrid.net [www.thegrid.net/sugarpine] (MA) Since 1977 Johnny has been in business at Gansner Airfield in Quincy. He now owns Sugarpine Aviators. Recently he wrote and produced an autobiography entitled "I Must Fly!". He is extremely pleased with its world wide sales and apparent appeal to readers other than pilots. Interested parties may contact Johnny for a copy, MasterCard and Visa work. He is working on another book, a prequel called "Family Centennial". Johnny writes that he shall never forget the people he met here at CSU-Chico. He especially wishes Valene (a pilot among other things) a happy retirement! "I enjoy reading my annual copy of 'Clan Destiny'."

1973

Susan Wood-McKean, Boise, ID, (BA) Susan reports that "nothing new here that is major." Her five year old son Alex continues to take most of her time and she is thankful to have it to spend with him -- "he is still the love of my life" although she still enjoys summers in the Sawtooths, reading and hiking. She attended a Native American conference at Boise State U last spring where Alvin Josephy, Richard Hart, and Vine Deloria also attended.

1974

Elaine C. Brown, Atlanta (BA, MA 1980) Last fall Elaine and husband Carlos Perez took their daughter Sierra (4 years old) to Bolivia. Elaine says, "It was a great journey to Carlos' country for all of us." Sierra was fascinated by the cobblestone road construction, the beautiful skirts of Andean women, and the whole new world she encountered. Earlier this year Elaine began with Masier Gardener training at the Atlanta Botanical Gardens. "It
was fantastic!" she says. She is now busy working with school children and teachers on a butterfly garden and extension service phone work. It gets her back in the "field - my kind of development anthropology".

John Nystrom, Durham, CA (BA)  John is self-employed in construction and consultation. He and wife Mary Lou have been enjoying their grandchildren and their activities, such as sports, opera, and Disneyland.

1975

Thomas Wilkins, Half Moon Bay, CA, tomwilkins@escatech.com, (BA) Since April 1997 Tom has been with ESCatech media in Half Moon Bay, a full-service 'new media' company specializing in Network Disks (CD-ROMS) and electronic catalogs for on-line commerce. After the last 15 years of work involving the US-Japan relationship, the shift into the hi-tech world is an unique challenge. With wife Gene being a "Kiwi", their only regret is not travelling to New Zealand often enough for sons Alex and Sam to become familiar with their relatives.

1976

Al Farber, Redding, CA, afarber@ch2m.com, (BA, MA 1982)  Al is employed as a technical writer/editor for a large, multinational engineering firm. He still does occasional archaeological surveying. He is slowly writing two books, one fiction and one non-fiction. "If I live long enough, maybe I'll get them finished and published," he writes. Daughter Sarah has been married now for a year and lives in Chico. Son Ben, 20, is well on his way to becoming a great rock guitarist. Wife Carol and Al celebrated #26 this year. She recently won free tickets to a Rolling Stones concert and an all-expense paid trip to Disneyland, both were fun events. They stay in touch with several CSUC alums with whom "we dug hundreds of square holes".

Cheryl Mucus, Abiquin, NM (BA)  With recent downsizing at Ghost Ranch, Cheryl was made director of both museums, Florence Hawley Ellis Museum of Anthropology where she is the curator and the Ruth Hall Museum of Paleontology. She helped build their educational program for local school children to one of the best in northern New Mexico. They are also very much involved in the predominately Hispanic/Indian local community and sponsor several community art shows each year. Museum staff teach 10-12 weeks of educational seminars yearly through Ghost Ranch’s own educational program. Cheryl says that she feels better than ever. Downsizing at home (divorced in 1996) and now at work puts one's world in perspective. "The things that really matter (family, friends, work) does enable one to get through the hard times." If anyone hasn't been to Ghost Ranch Cheryl extends an open invitation to visit. If you don't have to work she says, it's a great place to be.

1977

Jim Gregg, Alameda, CA, jim.grigg@dtsgl.com, (BA)  He and wife Denise have been married for 15 years. Son Devin (9) is his best friend and daughter Kellie (5 going on 13) "basically runs the house". They're very lucky to be able to travel a lot in recent years (Europe, Central America, and the South Pacific) and most recently visited many regions and distinct subcultures, the Thai's seem very willingly to share and borrow amongst themselves and their neighbors. Within the old Grand Palace alone (Bangkok) the traditional Thai architecture was beautifully blended with Chinese, Japanese, Burmese, Malay, and colonial styles. They were able to go north to the jungles of Chiang Mai and Chiang Rai to ride elephants and visit a 'Karen' hill tribe village (where the gold-ringed, long neck women lived). But their favorite excursion was sea kayaking in Phang Nga Bay, north of Phuket. Many of the green strangely shaped spiraled limestone islands have caves and hallowed out centers (called hongs) accessible only by very narrow sea tunnels. One often has to lie perfectly flat on the kayaks and guide yourself with a flashlight to make your way through the narrow, merged tunnels. All of a sudden you pop out of the donut-hole center of the island into bright daylight in the middle of a lush mangrove forest that's growing out of the sea floor. The inside of the island is eerily calm with bizarre looking insects chirping away and Mudskipper fish climbing along the mangrove branches. It was positively primeval. "Highly recommended. I'd do the whole trip again just to take that adventure!", Jim says.

Under Personal Comments, Although he's not working in Anthropology, Jim says he would not have traded his Anthro degree for the world. He says his appreciation of the planet's diversity and myriad of cultures and his continuing desire to see and learn more about them were nurtured in Chico. He started at Chico as a Journalism major, took an Intro to Anthro course from Art Lehmann, simply as an elective, and was hooked for life. "Oh yeah, keep the beers (and root beer) cold. As soon as the weather gets warm enough up there, I'm bringin' my son up for his first tubin' trip down the Sac."

R. Boyd Johnson, Indianapolis, 103041.1623.compuserve.com, (MA) is an Assistant Professor of International Studies at Indiana Wesleyan University. Boyd also has an MA in Theology from Fuller Theological Seminary and is a Ph.D. candidate (International Development) to be completed this year at Oxford Centre for
Mission Studies in the United Kingdom. Boyd presented a paper at the July annual meetings of the Community Development Society based on results of doctoral research done in Tanzania. He enjoys teaching (most of the time) except for committee work. Two children: Matt, 10, and Joy, 8. One wife: Susie.

**Darrell Mullins,** Los Molinos, dmulins@tltc.net (BA) Darrell is the Assistant Manager of Dutro Farms, Inc. He is also working as a volunteer member of the Tehama County Museum Board of Directors. The museum sponsored Archaeology week activities this year and are trying to raise funds to build a 4000 square foot annex. Darrell is also working with Ed Clewett at Shasta College on a site report for excavation at Dairyville, south of Red Bluff. It will present data on the Yawa-Wintue borders. Darrell and his wife just celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary with ten days in Hawaii or the Big Island during the Merrie Monarch Festival. "It was great," he says. He would like to hear from other grads.

**John Zancanella,** Prineville, OR, (BA MA 1988) John continues to work at the Prineville BLM, "it is still challenging and rewarding". The Central Oregon Heritage Group (COHG), a joint BLM and USFS effort, is beginning to receive state and national recognition for their development of a standardized, automated data base with both tabular and spatial components. They have also developed a strong site stewardship and public outreach/education program. On a more exciting note, John made an important scientific discovery by finding a tooth from the last known primate on the North American continent (25 mya) while doing an internship in paleontology with the NPS. There are only 6-8 teeth known from this species in the whole country. John presented a paper on it at a conference in October.

**1979**

**Alberto Flores,** Marysville, (BA) Al received his MA in Education in 1995. He currently is a substitute teacher with the Yuba and Sutter county schools. He is still single "only because haven't earned enough $ to engage in social activities (date)." Al has been rehabilitating for an extensive period from a very serious automobile accident in Sacramento. He was a passenger in a car that was totalled. He is nearly 100% recovered. [Good news! And nice to have visited with last spring in the department office. Ed.] Al is enthusiastic about the archaeological discoveries in support of the Bible as well as all the New World discoveries have again focused his attention on Anthropology. He is interested in the attention the media (TV) has given UFOs and the Millennium.

**1980s**

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**Mike Dugas,** Chico, (BA MA 1995) Mike is employed as an archaeologist with the Lassen National Forest. He writes that he is very glad that he returned to CSU-Chico in 1991 to work on his M.A. saying that the courses and thesis work prepared him for doing more professional reports on his job.

**Mike Pendleton,** Bryan, TX, smeola@acs.tamu.edu, (MA; Ph.D. Texas A&M 1993) Mike is employed full time with the U.S. Department of Agriculture doing electron microscopy and immunocytochemistry. He gave a poster at the Entomology Society of American meetings last December concerning immunocytochemical research to control insect pests. Along with the publications being produced as a result of work with immunocytochemistry of insects, and he will be submitting a paper concerning the abandonment of a Mimbres archaeological site at about 1300 AD. It seems that in one of the last rooms occupied at the site the occupants were eating Acacia flowers and may have boiled the spore bodies of a fungus which usually attacks certain grasses. This may have been the last activities of a population whose forefathers had lived in the same area at least 300 years. Probably, Mike states, rising population levels along with changing weather patterns caused a complete abandonment of all people in the area until a much later period. Perhaps this is a lesson in history that we should think about in the present (?) On a more personal note, Mike's parents visited last summer in their large recreational vehicle and wife Bonnie was lucky enough to visit her family in California last Christmas.

**1981**

**Linda Boynton Arthur,** Honolulu, larthur@hawaii.edu, (MA, Ph.D. UC Davis, Sociology) This time last year Linda was anxiously awaiting word on whether or not she got promoted and tenured and envisioned free time afterwards. As stressed as she was before, she is working even harder since the tenure and promotion. Linda is constantly publishing journal articles and trying to keep up on the constant changes in university teaching. She has just been nominated for a national teaching award, after receiving others at lower levels. Linda says, "Thesis all thanks to Keith Johnson, Jim Myers, and Valene Smith's fine examples and mentoring."
Bruce Welden, Durham, CA (BA, MA 1990)  Bruce has been the Bodily Injury Adjuster with CA State Automobile Association for 11 years. [We bet physical anthro helps. Ed.] Bruce and wife Marta, who is employed at CSU-Chico, have now been married for four years this October. Together they enjoy country life out in Durham and have five animals. Bruce informs us that one of the more gratifying events in his life goes back to 1969 when he was playing high school football and his school beat Mike Findlay's (MA 1984). "To this day, Mike is still crying in his beer...ha ha."

1982

Keith Light, Placerville, CA, light@infour.net (BA)  Keith is employed as an Analyst for the El Dorado County Department of Social Services. Last year was a busy year for him coordinating welfare reform efforts [understandably] and writing the county's "Calworks Plan."

Dennis Mertz, Bel Air, MD (MA)  is into his 13th year of marriage and "life is rolling along". The children are growing with Jaclyn 9 and Stephanie 5 and learning new things on a daily basis. Stephanie graduated from preschool this past spring and will be starting kindergarten in the fall. Wife Susan's mother passed away this year after a long illness. They now make more trips to New Jersey to see family and help with Susan's dad. Travel this past year was limited but enjoyable. The family went to Disneyland for a week then Vero Beach for another week to recover. Susan and Dennis went to Toronto for the first time to attend a conference related to Dennis' work, it is a beautiful city. Dennis returned to Toronto in March for another meeting and saw "the Holy Grail" (aka Stanley Cup). The family recently returned from 10 days in Puerto Rico. Dennis was attending a world wide company conference while his family spent time swimming and having fun. The conference was held at the new Ritz Carlton in San Juan - an experience Dennis enjoyed on company money. This summer they were host to Stephanie's pre-school gerbil, Brownie, and both girls are taking good care of him (so far). After long football and b-ball seasons, KJ [aka Keith Johnson] pulled out a one win victory when UCLA lost to Arizona [their respective alma maters] but the odd markers blew the point spread.

"My personal reflection on my decision to major in Anthropology has two answers. The first is that most of my training in this area, excluding physical anthropology to a degree, has had limited value on my career. My decision to minor in biology and pursue that path has provided me with the background for my current career. The second answer is that the diverse training and exposure that anthropology provided me has helped me to view things in an unique way. As businesses become more global and international issues increase awareness of "one world", I am able to see and understand beyond the borders of this country and culture. This has benefited me in my personal life, my children's learning, and will add value to my career in the near future. My experiences of training at CSU-Chico has provided me with a wealth of knowledge and memories. Working in the Physical Anthropology Lab taught me more than bones and blood, it taught me leadership skills, independent research, drive, and organizational skills. An unfortunate aside to this is that whenever I tell people I went to CSU-Chico, they say, "What a great party school! Why did you go there? I heard you don't have to study..." This "reputation" has caused me to be less specific about where I got my MA and to defend my decision in conversations."

Elaine Sundahl, Shasta Lake, esundahlrs_shastatrinity@fs.fed.us [The winner of the longest e-mail address in this issue.] (MA)  Elaine is employed part-time at the Shasta College Archaeology Lab and the Shasta Lake District of the Shasta Trinity National Forest. The past year and a half at Shasta College was particularly productive with the completion of three major projects: a multiyear testing project on the McCracken River, four field seasons at the Tanya site (a multi-component prehistoric site west of Redding), and excavations at two small historic sites with Chinese components. Reports of each are available to anyone with an interest in the prehistory and history of Shasta County.

1984

Michael Findlay (MA, Ph.D. 1992 U. of Oregon)  taught five classes per semester at Chico and three at Butte this past year. Mike now has a full-time tenure position at Butte College. The Department is very happy for Mike, and he has agreed to teach our Language and Culture course for us. Last April his book "Language and Communication: A Cross-cultural Encyclopedia" was published. This month he travels to Williamsburg, VA to give a paper at the 14th International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences. [Valene Smith was the Chair.]

Laura Gillin (Dawson), Welches, OR (BA)  Laura and husband Barry had a baby boy, Bradley in July 1997. His sister, Alison (now 4 years old) is a proud and helpful sister. Right now Laura is happy that she is able to be a stay at home mom. But she is keeping tabs on what is happening with Kennewick Man since the (news)paper has something every week. It is a big topic in the NW.

Sarah Helgho Nunes, San Jose, sarah.nunes@ci.sj.ca.us (MA)  Last year Sarah ended her 11 year career at The San Jose Historical Museum with the opening of a new permanent exhibit honoring San Jose's
Portuguese community. She is now working as a Personnel Analyst for the City's Human Resources Department. She does test development and job classifications. Leaving the museum was a "wrench, but I found the challenge of taking on something entirely new to be quite invigorating". She finds the anthropological perspective still comes in handy, especially when trying to develop tests to measure job performance potential in a culturally diverse community as San Jose.

1986

Jack Broughton, Salt Lake City, UT, broughth@anthro.utah.edu, (BA, MA 1988, Ph.D. 1995 Univ of Washington) Jack, now as Assistant Professor at the University of Utah, says that some of his university's best graduate applicants at U of Utah have come through some facet of the Anthro program at Chico, including the Eagle Lake Zooarch Field school. Jack is the proud father of a son, Michael, born last May.

Kathleen Piper, Chico, katpipe@breeze.net, (MA) Kathleen is now self-employed as a Folk Singer. She says its a big relief to be out of the mental health field and a big surprise to be making a living as a singer! Folksongs were always a hobby. Now she does it in retirement homes, schools, etc. Self-employment is wonderful - when it works. She's still going "Wow!" Some of her inspirational songs are performed in new-thought churches. An original pop song won honorable mention in an international song writing contest. She is now up to four grandchildren.

1987

Rosi McMillivray, Chico, rosim@cmc.net, (BA, MA 1993) has been a part-time instructor this past year at CSU-Chico for Anthropology of which she says, "I'm having the time of my life teaching - can't imagine doing anything else." Rosi presented a paper at the joint meeting of SWAA and CFS in Sacramento last April on The Chico Heat Community and a paper on teaching methods. She continues her lifelong research in popular culture, spirituality, folklore, mythology, and religion. She and husband Wayne just celebrated their 26th wedding anniversary and are avid Chico Heat fans, holding season tickets. During the summer they attend home games and travel to ballparks of other teams in the Western Baseball League. They have two grandchildren from daughter Lori; Scott will be three in August and Kim turned one last March. Son Roy is still trying to find his way, perhaps entering the US Army later this year.

1990s

1990

Cathy A. Burton, Indianapolis, burfish3@indy.net (MA) From CSU-Chico's bookstore Cathy went to the Southwest Museum and the Autry Museum of Western Heritage (1992-97) both in Los Angeles and has been the Director of Education at the Eiteljorg Museum of American Indians and Western Art in Indianapolis since June 1997. She is thrilled about her challenges at the Eiteljorg and the work ahead as they expand within the next few years. She extends her invitation to "come visit!" While at CSU-C both Cathy and husband Don Fisher attended. Don has since changed his interest in replica archaeology, etc., to butterflies and more. He is the naturalist at Wild Birds Unlimited in IN. Son Burton Fisher turned three last January, he likes mariachi music and mom's former employer, the Children's Museum. "It is his type of place."

Michael S. Campbell, Missoula, MT, mcampb6365@aol (BA) Mike and wife Denise moved from the Bay Area to Montana in June of 1994 where he is now the Branch Manager of a national brokerage firm and she has gone back to school. Their son Connor was born in January 1996. Mike says they are lucky to live in a beautiful part of the country and still travel quite a bit. They get back to Chico far too seldom but plan to be here next month. "My degree in anthro has been a real benefit," Mike states, "even though I work in finance, I really have a people job. Knowing about people is not only interesting it is essential." [Have you looked up alumus Shanon Jung? See 1997, page 12 Ed.]

1991

Pam Nett Kruger, Granada Hills, CA, 2pups@concentric.net (BA, MA CSU-Northridge) Pam and husband Bob have been hard at work remodeling their house. Their kitchen is now complete with the bathroom next. They took the time to travel with trips to Napa, Phoenix, and Cabo San Lucas and are in the process of finalizing trips to Seattle and Spain. This summer Pam enjoyed spending time in her vegetable and herbs garden and hiking in the nearby hills with their dogs, now that the rain has passed. Pam is still working for Timberland, and after a few changes Bob happily accepted a position with Ciba. P.S. Her married name is Kruger although she still goes by Nett. Her thought on having an anthro degree..."After growing up in Paradise (for the most part) a homogeneous
community, I wanted to go out and see and experience the world. A degree in Anthro. enabled me to do that through lectures, books, films and slides. I still read related material in cultural and archaeology. Now through my travels and living in such a culturally diverse city as Los Angeles, I have had many opportunities to interact with people of different cultures than my own. As the concept of global village becomes more significant I can't help but be grateful for my education in anthropology and how it has prepared me."

1992

Carol Bjornstad, Sherman Oaks, cbjorn@aol.com (BA) is in marketing with Astra Entertainment Group. Personal accomplishments during the past year include skydiving at 15,000 feet! Divorce--yep, well she does live in Hollywood where people are allowed at least one. Carol trained for CA AIDS RIDE 5 which was held May 31 - June 6 from San Francisco to Los Angeles, 560 miles in 7 days on a bicycle!! [I'm sure Bev Chinas would be proud. Ed]

Wendy Hanson Asnault, Chico, (BA) married Joseph Asnault on April 4, 1997.

Sean Jensen, Chico, plm2j3@aol.com (BA, MA 1997) Sean is employed full time doing CRM for Jensen and Associates. Daughter Alexandria and he continue their path in the martial arts. Sean helps out teaching in the children's classes at their Dojo. Alexandria was seven in June and began the 2nd grade this. Their Memorial Weekend vacation consisted of two weeks on the Rogue River in Oregon, camping, fishing, horse back riding, and kayaking. Sean sends his, "thanks to everyone at CSU-Chico who helped me complete my MA thesis last year. Best wishes to everyone and don't forget to vote in November."

Shona Nelson, Pleasanton, CA, shona@ix.netcom.com or Shona.Nelson@clorox.com (BA) Shona is a Lab Technician for Home Cleaning Technology for The Clorox Company and working on her A.S. in Chemistry. For the past four years at Clorox she has worked on the following products: the Pine-Sol brand, S.O.S. soap pads, Soft Scrub, Clorox Manual Toilet Bowl Cleaner, and Tilex. She helped produce the prototype to the Rain Clean Pine-Sol and is a co-inventor on a patent application for this product. She was a key member in producing a new Manual Toilet Bowl Cleaner Gel which earlier this year was launched nationally and in the process became a co-inventor on another patent application. Part of Shona's duties is to act as a liaison with a European company to keep them informed on new Clorox and competitive home cleaning products that come out into the market. The most interesting project she worked on was the S.O.S., "It was a thrill to make soap the same way people have made it hundreds of years ago." Shona received a certificate of appreciation for her volunteer work at the Coyote Hills Regional Park where she helped construct a Butterfly Garden this year. She finally visited Chico last summer after six years of being away. "I can't believe it has been that long, hopefully next time it won't be."

Sandra Pate, Cypress, TX (BA) Sandra began working in January for Maggart Assemblies doing soldering, surface mount clothing inspection. Since her graduation from Chico State, Sandy moved from California to Texas up to Arkansas ("yuck") and then back to Texas. She left California in a 1979 Pinto station wagon pulling an 8 foot trailer following her dad ("he would not let me go alone") and her four kittens. They all made it and by default she is back home in Texas. Sandy says she really enjoyed her college career at Chico State with all her professors. She recommends Chico State to anyone living there. She has been unable to find employment in her field of study not because she hasn't tried. She even applied with her affiliated Native American tribe in Oklahoma because that's where she really wants to live but was turned down. She was disappointed when last summer she didn't get the supervisor job to locate, clean up, and record cemeteries. But she does have some experience in printed circuit boards so she's staying in this field for now.

Evlyn Turner, Paradise, (BA) She says that she is "presently employed with home and garden" as well as enrolling in classes which catch her interest. She would appreciate any news or an address for Diane Vasquez (BA 1994).

Kathleen "KD" Tyree, Elliott City, MD. tree@home.com (MA) "KD" has been adjuncting at both Johns Hopkins and the University of Baltimore since last August as well as teaching three courses in the morning (Geography and Archaeology) at Chapelgate, the local private high school. "It was great to see so many California faces at the SCA's in San Diego last April! Five years is too long to stay away - I truly miss CA archaeology."

Barbara Viamis, Chico (BA, MA 1996 Interdisciplinary) Barbara is employed full time at the Butte Environmental Council doing environmental education and advocacy. She met Vice President Al Gore while attending a celebration and conference of the Clean Water Act in DC. She was inducted into CSU-Chico's Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.
1993

JoElle Hernandez, Campbell, CA, jherndz@hooked.net (MA)  JoElle is a biology teacher at a private high school and she is pursuing a teaching credential at Santa Clara University. She finds teaching challenging but rewarding, and it allows her time in the summer to do bioarchaeology at Hearst Museum at UC Berkeley - "her true love!" She and husband Joe celebrated five years of marriage this year. No kids yet!

1994

Baron Howe, Portland, OR (BA) is a GIS Cartographer with Averstar/Pacer Infotec for the past three years and has a "great all-around situation in Portland!"

Mark Winkler, Redwood Valley, CA (BA and Museum Certificate) He grew some really good tomatoes last year...he wrote a chapter for a book that was published last year called "A Place in the Sun" (it's a case study of Real Goods' Solar Living Center (where he is employed in public relations) through its design/ construction...it's solar powered, a straw bale building, inventive and productive landscaping, etc. "We have a happy, thriving family and life is good!"

1995

Sandra Flint, Fresno, flintnapp@aol.com (MA) Since joining applied EarthWorks, Sandy has continued to supervise field and research projects but has expanded into administrative duties as well. Currently her responsibilities include marketing and project management. On a personal note, Sandy recently became engaged. Fiance Michael is a grade school teacher "who brings two wonderful kids" to their upcoming marriage. They will set a date once they find accommodations in Fresno for the ceremony but look to this fall or next spring to get married.

Regarding her degree in Anthropology Sandra writes: "As I've progressed in a professional direction as an archaeologist I've come to learn how important the MA degree has become. I found I was employable with the BA but promotions and higher levels of responsibilities could only be accomplished after my MA was obtained. There are exceptions, of course, but in CRM most of the agencies we have as clients (federal, state and local governments) expect and feel more comfortable with lead project folks who have the MA. Comments from an interview panel for a CalTrans project (AE interviewed) for clearly demonstrated this concern/appreciation. My education at Chico State was strong on theory and methods and practical application through field classes proved very important for making contacts (i.e., BLM, etc.) and more clearly understanding field approaches. With the amount of CRM work, however, more education on state and federal laws would be highly recommended. I enjoyed my experiences at CSU-C."

Geoffrey Kushnick, Mission Viejo, (BA) Geoff completed his MA at Sacramento State last spring. He was accepted to the Ph.D. program in Biocultural Anthropology at University of Washington with Dr. Eric Alden Smith who will be his advisor which Geoff is very excited about.

Jamie Moore, Chico, dyjm@aol.com, (BA) is an archaeologist with Lassen National Forest. In July of 1996 he married Dawn Yaeger (BA '95 History).

1996

Cesar E. Ross, Belize, (BA, Cultural Certificate) is an Associate Lecturer in Education and Social Science at the University College of Belize, Belmopan Campus, a part-time lecturer at Belize Teacher's College in Belizean and Caribbean History, and Cesar is also consultant in Museum Development and Social and Environmental Education.

Lynda Young, Valencia, CA, ly@pvcla.com (BA, Museology certificate) is in pr, marketing, and advertising for Pacific Visions Communications. Some of her accounts include J. Paul Getty Museum, American Psychological Association, and Children's Institute International. She was part of the account team that put together a celebrity gala which raised over $1 million for the Children's Institute International (CII). Her other account work is focused on raising national public awareness of breast cancer, mental health issues, and arts education.

1997

Shannon Jung, Missoula, MT, mgilbert@mssl.uswest.net (MA) After leaving Chico, Shannon moved to Missoula, Montana and married Mike Gilbert in June 1997. She is back currently working for Historical Research Associates as a research archaeologist. She has been doing fieldwork in Montana, South Dakota, and Utah.
Until next year have a good one!

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