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UPAC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FALL 1999

For those of you who didn't make it to the Spring meeting at Knolls: between the howling winds on Friday and the steady downpour early Sunday morning, we had a very nice Saturday for the field trip and a great time Saturday evening. For those who did make it and endured the periods of inclemency, thank you!

The Fall meeting will be held at the CEU Prehistoric Museum in Price on 5-6 November. The Friday afternoon session, at 1:00 PM, will be the business meeting and the Saturday morning session, at 9:00 AM will include presentations of this year's field and/or lab work; other papers are also welcome. Please notify me at 801-250-1574 or Renae at 801-533-5329 so we can plan the agenda for both meetings.

Elections are coming up this winter. The VP for Membership and Ethics (Ron Rood 801-533-3564) will head up the nominating committee and will present a slate of nominees at the meeting in Price. We will also accept nominations from UPAC members. Although these nominations can be made at the Fall meeting, it would facilitate the process if you could notify Ron in advance. The officers to be elected are: President, VP for Membership and Ethics, Treasurer and the Newsletter Editor. The Newsletter Editor is a one year position, but may be reelected for up to a total of five years. The newly elected persons will assume office at the beginning of the Spring 2000 meeting.

At the Spring meeting we discussed the office of Curriculum Director which has been vacant for some time. The purpose of this position is to act as UPAC liaison to the avocational community (USAS). According to the Bylaws it is filled by appointment by the Executive Committee; I hope to have this position filled by the Fall meeting.

At the Spring meeting we also discussed a possible change to the Bylaws to reflect actual practice. The selection of the location of each meeting is supposed to be done by the Executive Committee and ratified by the membership, but in reality the selection has been up to the President. I would like to initiate the process to amend the Bylaws before I leave office. The reason for this action is to simplify the process and to contain mailing costs since the cost of mailings twice per year to vote on the meeting location can be excessive.

Beginning with this newsletter, we will be sending it via e-mail to those of you who have given your address to Drew. We hope to increase the percentage of e-mail participants to minimize the cost of snail-mail.

Once again I ask for help in creating a list of the UPAC Fellows. (Incentive for those who don't want to admit it: Fellows are exempt from paying dues.)

Dennis Weder, UPAC President

THE UPAC TREASURY

UPAC Balance as of 8.16.99

Checking account: \$ 150.32

Money market: \$ 4,815.32

Liabilities: \$ 0.00

Total: \$ 4,965.64

Jim Dykman, Treasurer

EDITORIAL ADVISORY BOARD FOR *UTAH ARCHAEOLOGY*

Solicitations for the *Utah Archaeology* Editorial Advisory Board were made at the Spring 1999 UPAC meeting. The following people graciously volunteered their services to UPAC: Dave Madsen, Jim O'Connell, and Kate Toomey. Each comes with significant journal and editorial experience. For those of you who do not know Kate Toomey, she is an attorney for the Utah Bar Association, holds a Master's degree in Anthropology, and edited the journal of the Utah Bar for several years.

The duties of the Editorial Advisory Board are described below. The Board does not routinely perform manuscript reviews for the journal. For review, manuscripts are sent out to reviewers depending on expertise and audience (including USAS members). For the most part, the duties of the Board are to make the journal better in the following ways:

- Advice/sounding board for journal direction, scope, audience - any aspect of journal strategy or operation.
- Ideas and information about how to increase our circulation and stature.
- Assistance in encouraging submissions via Board member's networks.
- Occasional appeal for advice on acceptance/rejection of a manuscript in the face of delinquent review(s).
- Occasional request to actually work with a manuscript to improve it enough for acceptance.

With some strong editorial advice and reworking by an editor, more manuscripts can be accepted. This is important to our mission to bridge professional, student, and avocational archaeology.

You should have received your 1997 issue by now. Work on the 1998 and the 1999 issues is moving right along. We may have enough submissions to publish the 1999 issue in the first quarter of 2000, just about on schedule. However, please consider a contribution to the journal and encourage students and avocationists to submit a book review, a report, or an article. The journal lives or dies by the productivity of the membership and readership. Thanks

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UTAH AVOCATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAM (UAAEP) UPDATE

by Ronald J. Rood
Assistant State Archaeologist

I would like to provide a brief update concerning the revision of the USAS Education curriculum which is going to be called; the Utah Avocational Archaeology Education Program, or UAAEP.

As many of you are aware, Margene Hackney and I have been revising this curriculum for the past couple of years and during May, 1999, the new Level I curriculum was taught in Cedar City, Utah to 10 members of the Iron County Chapter of USAS. This was a trial run designed to try out the lessons on a live audience and work out any bugs. All in all, it went pretty well and Margene and I would like to teach another run through of Level I sometime in the next few months.

From avocationalists and professionals alike, I'm being asked a number of questions about the UAAEP that I would like to address here. If you have other questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

1. Who will teach the course(s)? Typically, I envision the local USAS advisor or other professional archaeologists to teach the Level 1 and Level 2 courses. USAS members who have completed the courses can no doubt assist with the instruction. Professionals who are not USAS advisors who are interested in teaching the courses should contact me. I would like to run a workshop in the future for professionals who want to teach the courses.
2. How often will the courses be taught? As with the old curriculum, each chapter in consultation with their advisor can teach the course when they see the need. I believe offering the courses and making the public aware of the courses can serve to increase membership in USAS.
3. How much will the course cost? This has not been worked out as of yet. I feel there should be a cost to pay the instructor and there will be the cost of the textbook for Level 1. This will be an issue for the USAS presidents to discuss in the near future.
4. Will taking these courses open doors for more field work? My short answer is yes, however, these courses are not "certification" courses or courses that replace a solid college or university anthropology curriculum. I would like to see more opportunities for USAS members to work with professionals. Taking these courses will make the field and lab experiences better for both the avocational and the professional.
5. Can the courses be taken for college credit? This curriculum is not designed to replace or compete with any college level curriculum.
6. What is the major difference between the new curriculum and the old "certification" program? The new program will offer lessons that go beyond the lecture format. Further, the lessons will be standardized AND importantly, local instructors will have options to add information relevant to their own local geographical area or area of expertise. The lessons are more interactive and are not based entirely on a lecture format.
7. If I took Level 1 under the old system, do I have to take Level 1 again? The answer is no, but the new curriculum contains different information, updated materials, and will be taught in a different way. I would hope you would want to use the new curriculum as a refresher course. Further, those of you who have taken courses before will no doubt be able to contribute significantly to the course as a participant.
8. What is the deal with workshops? Workshops are a key element of the new curriculum. They are not specifically tied to any Level and they can stand alone as unique educational experiences. So far we've had workshops on lithics, faunal analysis, ancient cooking techniques and historic artifacts. There are literally hundreds of potential workshops we can offer. If you are interested in a workshop or if a chapter wants to sponsor a workshop, work with your local advisor or myself and I will assist in helping you find the right person to teach the workshop. I would love to see USAS adopt a policy of offering a workshop every couple of months.
9. When will the new curriculum be ready? The Level 1 curriculum is approximately 90% finished in content. It needs to be edited and slightly revised but I envision it being ready to publish in the fall of 1999. Publication costs will be covered by a grant from USAS and matching funds from the Division of State History. The Level 2 curriculum is approximately 50% complete. We need to do another trial run of the Level 1 curriculum, and I hope this can be done this fall.

I hope this answers some of your questions. Please let me know if you have additional questions or if you need any further details.

Ron Rood

SCHOOL TRUST LANDS UPDATE

The School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration is continuing to investigate and pursue, as appropriate, all apparent cultural resource theft and violation (e.g., looting) cases on school and institutional trust lands statewide. While it is tough to bring satisfactory closure to most cases, the agency is doing its best to get the word out that illegal "enjoyment" of archaeological and paleontological resources on trust lands will be vigorously pursued. In addition to the agency's authorization by statute and rule, the Trust Lands Administration (and the educational beneficiaries) consider these resources to be valuable trust assets, not unlike coal, timber, gravel or any other tangible asset. For those of you who have been around long enough,

you can appreciate the difference between this current perspective and that of a decade or more ago.

The Trust Lands Administration intends to continue discussions with the SHPO toward a programmatic agreement covering the surface sales program, and perhaps other facets of the agency's overall compliance program. Our rather unique mandate (among governmental agencies) to serve as land-grant trustee for a set of specific, named beneficiaries requires us to aggressively seek new, more efficient and streamlined processes for effective cultural resource compliance.

To that end, the Trust Lands Administration is happy to announce our recent agreement with the Utah Museum of Natural History (and, by extension, the archaeological center) to conduct compliance-related investigations for the agency. The museum, under the direction of Dr. Duncan Metcalfe, has already begun two separate post-sale testing/ mitigation projects for the agency. This welcome arrangement is very similar to the agency's year-old agreement with Utah State University to conduct a wide range of compliance-related investigations for the Trust Lands Administration. Under the direction of Dr. William Fawcett, USU has agreed to again undertake the majority of survey work for our upcoming fiscal year auctions, as well as a number of post-survey investigations on other sale parcels. Both institutions bring tremendous research capabilities to the work we've requested of them, which by its nature must be quite creative in approach. These arrangements are additionally rewarding in that both universities are two of our land grant beneficiaries, and it's nice to be able to provide them the opportunity to benefit educationally as well as financially (which is of course, our mandate: generate financial support of the named beneficiary institutions).

The Trust Lands Administration is also very happy to announce the addition of Michael S. (Mike) Berry to its archaeological staff. Mike, of course, obtained his masters and doctorate degrees in anthropology at the University of Utah and has made substantial contributions to our collective knowledge of Utah prehistory during his archaeological career. Mike comes to us after having built a very successful computer consulting career over the past decade or so, bringing significant programming skills in addition to a great wealth of anthropological expertise. Mike is currently assisting with the agency's surface sales program and will hopefully be primarily responsible for that compliance program in the future.

Kristine Curry continues to lend valuable organizational, research and writing skills to the Trust Lands Administration's archaeological staff. Chris Horting and Margo Memmott have both left our employ to either finalize (Chris) or initiate (Margo) their graduate studies in anthropology. The agency is still seeking a "journeyman" archaeologist to coordinate the agency's development program compliance, though not in great earnest (i.e., we are content to wait until the right applicant comes along); we would, however, prefer to fill the position sooner rather than later. Persons with appropriate qualifications (e.g., at least a masters candidate in anthropology with demonstrated field, analytic and writing skills, good interpersonal skills and an in-depth knowledge of Utah anthropology and current research issues in *Utah Archaeology*) are encouraged to inquire with me directly; I can be reached at (801) 538-5168 or by email at tlmain.kwintch@state.ut.us.

Kenny Wintch

GREY LITERATURE: A RESPONSE TO JASON BRIGHT

I agree with some suggestions made by Jason Bright in the last UPAC Newsletter concerning so-called "grey literature." Publications stemming from CRM work are clearly important, necessary and these days, CRM generated articles do make up a fair amount of what they publish in some journals. An on-line index would be great, and clearly more students interested in pursuing a career in archaeology should take it upon themselves to publish the results of CRM projects or even aspects of such projects. Abstracts of major reports submitted to the UPAC Newsletter, current research paragraphs, and even short synopses of CRM projects would be a welcome addition for the UPAC Newsletter. How about presenting overviews of projects at the UPAC meetings. The past couple years of UPAC meetings I've attended there has been very little presented by anybody in the way of current research. I find that very strange by the way and perhaps the subject of another editorial for the Newsletter. Do we need to do a better job of making our peers more aware of our research and CRM project results? Of course we do.

I have always questioned the existence of so-called "grey literature." For example, Jason believes that the CRM literature at the Division of State History sits on the shelf and "collects dust" and state repositories are the places where CRM literature "goes to die." This material is used each day by archaeologists doing CRM work and research. It does not die here. It lives here and people at the Division of State History work hard to take care of it. The use of the term "grey literature" infers that it is somewhere where people can't get to it. The fact is that CRM generated literature is accessible, available, and generally not that hard to find. I've never had difficulty in finding a contract report either through a State Historic Preservation Office, federal agency, or from the contractor. Jason is right in suggesting a published report or article in a journal be completed at the end of each large project. I don't agree with his suggestion of only turning in the minimal amount of documentation to the agency and requiring publication of the "topical data." That would do nothing but make the myth of grey literature a reality.

Jason says the "problem" of "breathing life" into CRM literature is an old one. I would say the problem is nonexistent. Jason concludes by saying he wants a shift in reporting requirements and more published articles that are "accessible" (his emphasis). What could be more accessible than to go to a state or federal office, look up the report, and pull it off the shelf? Accessibility has never been the issue in terms of CRM literature.

Sincerely,

Ronald J. Rood

REPLY

I am glad to see Ron is in agreement with most points I raised in the last editorial. It is also encouraging to see a little dialogue on the topic developing in the Newsletter. I hope it continues. Ron's two points of disagreement probably stem from a lack of clarity on my part. I certainly did not mean to imply that employees at State History do not work hard to maintain its collection of reports.

Ron states that the problem I addressed is a myth, that in essence there is no grey literature. But this depends on his definition of accessible grey literature. To him, so long as reports exist on a shelf somewhere and archaeologists can use them, they are accessible. I find this too narrow a definition of accessible. To me, accessible necessarily implies "economically accessible." Archaeologists outside Salt Lake (though I don't mean to make this Utah-specific) have travel costs to consider, and for everyone, time spent finding and copying reports is time NOT spent doing something else. How much are we willing to trade off to find a report, or some data? Better yet, why should we have to if there is a better option?

The better option I discussed that Ron dislikes is to shift reporting requirements in a way that puts substantive, analytical sections into refereed journals, books or monograph series. This provides an answer to his question about what is more accessible than going to an office and pulling a report...having it delivered to your own office and hundred library shelves across the region is! Ron feels minimizing (not my word) reporting requirements to agencies will make his myth of grey literature a reality. This need not be so. The condensed "basics" still exist on the same shelves they currently do, but at least some analytical results are also delivered to whomever subscribes to the journal or buys the book, nationwide. Second, an article's citations will no doubt include the original report, so archaeologists know what's available and where to find it. Third, SHPO's time, and therefore money, is saved reading the hundreds of (lengthy, even redundant?) reports that must come in every year. Lastly, shelf space these reports take up is decreased - sensible foresight which also saves money.

The potential problems I see are two-fold. Perhaps not every project produces results orth publishing (i.e. a 60 acre well pad survey) and there is probably not enough journal space for every project. Both these problems can be solved if the agency writing the RFP can decide if the project is deserving of published articles (i.e. large surveys, excavations, etc.), how many, etc. But then again, considering that as of the spring meetings Steve Simms had received exactly zero submissions for the year 2000 issue of Utah Archaeology, journal space may not be such a problem.

- Bright

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RON'S RESTAURANT REVIEW: Wayne's Drive Inn, Delta, Colorado

When on the western slope of Colorado, no trip would be complete without a stop at Wayne's Drive Inn on the south side of Delta. Eat inside or have the car-hop bring your food out to your brand new Ford F-150 field vehicle. The menu is classic consisting of everything from your basic burger to a shrimp platter that blends deep fried potato strips (french fries) with popcorn shrimp and Wayne's own special seafood sauce. My personal favorite is the Wayne's 1/4 lb. green chile burger (hold the mayo please). They don't skimp on the chile and in the summer, fresh chile's make the burger legendary across western Colorado.

R. Rood

FALL UPAC MEETING: Motels in Price

Greenwell Inn
1-800-666-3520

National 9 Inn
1-800-524-9999

655 East Main
(435) 637-3520

641 W Price River Dr
(435) 637-7000
720 East Highway 6
(435) 637-7980

Holiday Inn
1-800-HOLIDAY
838 Westwood Blvd
(435) 637-8880

Carriage House Inn
1-800-228-5732
590 E Main Street
(435) 637-5660

Super 8
1-800-800-8000
180 North Hospital Drive
(435) 637-8088

Budget Host Inn
1-800-283-4678
145 N. Carbonville Road
(435) 637-2424

Pillow Talk Motel
430 East Main Street,
Wellington
(435) 637-7706

MINUTES OF THE SPRING UPAC MEETING
April 23-24, 1999
The Knolls, Utah

Meeting began at 1:35 PM
Dennis Weder President, Presiding
36 people, 10 dogs and numerous children in attendance

Treasurer's Report: Jim Dykman

Checking Account: \$871
Money Market Account: \$4,752.00
Dues are now due, so pay up.

If anyone is interested in reviewing the records, they are at Jim's office, and you are welcome to come look them over. Jim feels the organization is solvent at this time but is behind from last year in dues collections.

Minutes and Report of Elections: Marian Jacklin

Minutes from the fall meeting were approved with no corrections. Kathy Callister was elected to V.P. of Govt. Affairs and Research
Steve Simms was elected to Editor of Journal. There was a very poor response from members to election request.

President's Remarks: Dennis Weder

In reviewing the bylaws, Dennis found a Curriculum Director position and wanted to know what the position entailed and who held it. Kevin Jones and Steve Simms thought it might be Jim Wilde who held it last. The question was raised about the need for this position. The suggestion was that this position might help Ron Rood with the vocational programs with USAS. In the next newsletter it will be brought up to the membership to talk about it and come to somewhat of a consensus.

It was also brought up in the Bylaws that the meeting place is to be voted on. This has not happened much in the past as the current President chooses a location. (There was some grumbling about this year's choice at this point, caused by another blast of lovely Utah wind.) It was suggested that the Executive Committee get together and change the bylaws to allow the current President to choose the location.

There was a question about the statement in Bylaws that affiliate members (USAS) are not to get the journal. Kevin clarified this in that they get it through paying their dues to USAS.

The Legislation clause in the Bylaws needs clarification. Do we want to be actively involved in legislative activities? Someone from the group brought it up that yes, the group as a whole should be actively involved because some of the individual members

cannot be directly involved due to the nature of their jobs with federal or state agencies. In the newsletter this issue will be addressed and feedback from the membership requested.

Drew Ugan, Newsletter Editor, asked about sending the current newsletter to those on his list of e-mail addresses electronically instead of by snail mail. We can use the server at the Anthropology Department at the U of U or the Southwest Archaeology Center for a web page which would include the current newsletter. Drew asked for all members to send him their e-mail addresses. Laurel Heap at the U will create our web page for UPAC as soon as possible. Dennis brought up the possibility of doing elections on e-mail also. Jim Dykman asked that there be a cost evaluation of doing business this way.

Journal Update: Steve Simms

An intern from USU is in the process of writing a Policy and Procedures book for the Journal. Steve Simms clarified that the Editorial Review Board is not to be used as a paper review board but members could be asked to help when reviewers fail to complete their task in the given time. If you have a desire to be on the Board, please contact Steve; otherwise he will contact people directly.

Steve Simms asked for the Council to approve funding of \$300.00 for hiring an intern to help with the Journal as he doesn't want to use the Departmental Secretary for this. The student intern will get credit and some pay for this assignment. This cost could be covered by bumping up the cost of the Journal. The motion was made and passed for UPAC to provide \$300.00 to USU for a student intern to assist Steve Simms with producing the Journal.

Steve also brought up the point that we need to increase the status of the Journal by getting it placed into libraries. We currently have 30 subscribers and are generating some money from the sale of out-of-print issues. Steve noted the need for submissions to the Journal for both papers and book reviews and asked the membership to get them in. It takes four months to review an article. The '97 issue is currently at the press. However, the Journal will be back on schedule next year if all goes well.

Historic Preservation Funding: Kevin Jones

Historic Preservation funding is up before Congress and there is a potential for an increase in grant monies. Kevin Jones asked if UPAC would write a letter in support, asking Congress to consider this increase. If passed, it appears grant monies could be up ten fold from the past. UPAC and USAS, as affiliates of State History, could apply for grant monies under this new program. The motion was made and passed that UPAC will write a letter to Congress asking for their support in approving increasing money to Historic Preservation.

Kenny asked to have announced that Heidi Roberts will be having an open house on May 13 at a site she is digging north of Harrisburg off I-15. Call Kenny at 538-5168 if you want more information. A research paper will be given at 9:00 AM on the 24th of May. Dinner will be at 6:00 PM. The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Marian Jacklin.



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