

#### SOUTHEASTERN ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE

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#### SEAC 2010, Lexington, Kentucky

As co-organizers of the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and on behalf of the University of Kentucky Department of Anthropology, we invite everyone to attend the 2010 Southeastern Archaeological Conference in Lexington, Kentucky. Located in the heart of the Bluegrass Region, Lexington is known as the "Horse Capital of the World." The gently rolling hills of the Bluegrass Region are underlain by Ordovician limestones, which is the foundation for extremely fertile soils, its legendary bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*), and sweet spring water. Today, thoroughbred horse farms and bourbon distilleries are hallmarks of the economy.

Being a border state, Kentucky draws from both the Midwest and Southeast in its archaeological heritage. The last SEAC in Lexington, in 1994, was actually a joint meeting of SEAC and the Midwest Archaeological Conference. Although the 2010 conference will not be a joint meeting, we hope to draw researchers interested in the Ohio Valley as well as the Southeast. Topics for the 2010 meetings are completely open, but papers or symposia that explore themes of mutual or overlapping interest to Southeastern and Midwestern archaeologists will be especially welcome.

Lexington has an active downtown community. The conference hotel is within walking distance to numerous restaurants, shops, museums, and historic sites. Restaurants and bars may remain open until 2:30 A.M. There is no smoking in public buildings, including bars and restaurants. We hope to see you in Lexington.

George Crothers Richard Jefferies Steven Ahler David Pollack

#### **Call for Nominations**

President Anderson has appointed the SEAC Nominations Committee for 2010. The committee members will identify candidates for three positions, that of President-elect (a two year term, followed by a two year term as President), Executive Officer II (a two year term), and Editor-elect (a one year term, followed by a three year term as Editor). Nominations for each of these positions are sought. Names of nominees can be sent to any one of the committee members by June 30, 2010. Persons serving in these positions are voting members of the SEAC Executive Committee, which convenes at the SEAC annual meeting and, if called, at a spring mid-year meeting, typically held at the SAA Meeting. The Nominations Committee is as follows:

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#### INFORMATION FOR CONTRIBUTORS

The SEAC Newsletter publishes reports, opinions, current research, obituaries, and announcements of interest to members of the Conference. All materials should be submitted to the Associate Editor for the Newsletter. Deadlines are March 1 for the April issue and September 1 for the October issue. Submissions via e-mail are preferred. Style should conform to the detailed guidelines published in American Antiquity, Volume 57, Number 4 (October 1992).

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## A Letter from SEAC President David G. Anderson

would like to thank everyone who sent back issues of the SEAC Newsletter in response to my request last fall. Thanks to some fine scanning by my undergraduates, and SEAC webmaster Phil Hodge's excellent work organizing the files, they are now posted on the website. Ian Brown, Hester Davis, and Gerald Schroedl deserve special mention for help filling in the gaps!

In other news, the Executive Committee, in consultation with a number of SEAC old timers, is reviewing the SEAC Bylaws, and will be proposing a number of amendments for your consideration this fall to bring them up to date. At present, for example, the concept of electronic publishing and communication is not mentioned, something that we need to address. Chris Rodning and Tom Pluckhahn are coordinating this effort, so send any suggestions you have directly to them. Any and all input from members is appreciated. A ballot with the proposed changes to be voted on will be sent out this fall.

The Executive Committee is also working on procedures to administer the C.B. Moore award, the authority for which was transferred from the Lower Mississippi Survey to SEAC last fall. The qualifications and nomination procedures will be posted on the SEAC web site following the spring board meeting. We urge members to nominate potential candidates for this award, now in its 21st year, as well as for SEAC's Lifetime Achievement Award. And, of course, students giving papers at the meeting should by all means enter the Student Paper Competition.

This year we will also elect a new Executive Officer, Editor, and President-elect. If you have ever thought about serving SEAC in such a capacity, please consider running for one of these offices. Let someone on the nominating committee know you are interested.

Finally, some members have urged SEAC to establish a Memorial Fund, separate from our current Life Membership Fund, in memory of departed colleagues, that we can use to fund student research and scholarships on a regular basis. A motion to that effect will be introduced at the spring board meeting. For the past year the Executive Committee has been reviewing the legal and tax implications of soliciting donations for such a fund. It appears we may not be able to actively solicit donations unless we register in each state where announcements might appear (i.e., all of them if we solicit on the website or in the Newsletter), a prohibitively expensive process. Accordingly, if such a fund is established, there may be no active solicitation, and the only information about it that will appear may be in the minutes and at the annual meeting, where we report on the fund's annual balance and what awards were made.

See you in Lexington later this year!

## SEAC 2010 67TH ANNUAL MEETING

October 27-30, 2010 Hilton Lexington / Downtown Hotel - Lexington, Kentucky

### **Heart of the Bluegrass**

#### Hotel

The recently renovated Hilton Downtown Hotel is located in downtown Lexington overlooking Triangle Park. All conference sessions and meetings will take place in the hotel's conference facilities. The flat rate for a standard guest bedroom is \$139 plus applicable taxes. Self-parking for overnight guests is complimentary. The room rate is guaranteed until September 27<sup>th</sup>. After that date, the room rate will be based on availability. The hotel will have an on-line reservation page for conference attendees, available from the SEAC web site, beginning about April 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### Registration

The last day for advance registration is October 13<sup>th</sup>. After October 13th, you will have to register on-site by cash or check only. Cancellations must be made by October 13th for a refund minus a 10 percent processing charge. No refunds will be made after October 13th.

|                      | Member | Student | Non-member |
|----------------------|--------|---------|------------|
| Advance Registration | \$70   | \$50    | \$80       |
| On-site Registration | \$90   | \$70    | \$100      |

#### Program - Papers, Posters, and Symposia

The deadline for submitting abstracts for papers, posters, and symposia is **August 18**. Abstracts should be limited to 100 words. Abstracts may be submitted as Contributed Papers, Contributed Posters, Symposium Papers, or Symposium Posters. Symposium organizers must also submit abstracts for their sessions and list all participants. In a break from previous years, contributors to a symposium must submit their abstracts independent of the symposium organizer and indicate the symposium in which they are participating. We are also instituting a new category called "Poster Symposia." If you have a group of posters on a similar theme that you would like to have presented in the same poster session, we encourage you to submit this as a poster symposium. These poster symposiums can be as few as two or three related posters up to a maximum of 16 related posters. Half-day paper symposia must be limited to 11 papers including discussants. Full-day symposia (in two parts) may have a total of 22 papers including discussants.

Paper presentations are limited to 20 minutes. A digital projector, screen, and pointer will be available in each room. Symposium organizers and session chairs will be responsible for supplying a computer notebook with Microsoft Office PowerPoint software. If you require other audio-visual equipment (such as a slide projector), please contact the Program Chairs at least two weeks in advance. Requests for extra audio-visual equipment may result in charges to the presenter or organizer. Poster sessions will be approximately four hours in length. Poster size should not exceed 4 ft x 8 ft.

#### **Student Paper Competition**

Students are encouraged to enter their SEAC paper in the 2010 Student Paper Competition. The purpose of the competition is to foster student participation in the SEAC Annual Meetings. The prize for first place consists of new and recent books on southeastern archaeology to be awarded at the Annual Meeting. The prize for second place consists of Lifetime membership in SEAC and back issues of the journal *Southeastern Archaeology*. Consult the SEAC web site for complete details.

#### **Student Volunteers**

A limited number of student volunteer positions are available. For working 8 hours, registration costs will be reimbursed. Volunteers will assist with registration, and/or provide technical assistance during sessions. Volunteer positions are available on a first request basis. You must pay your registration fee first and you will be reimbursed after completing your volunteer hours. To volunteer, contact George Crothers at george.crothers@uky.edu or (859) 257-8208.

#### **Book Room**

Please contact the conference organizers at least two weeks in advance of the conference to reserve a table or tables for display in the book room.

#### **Special Events**

We are planning a general reception on Thursday evening with plenty of food and a cash bar at a downtown location to be determined. The SEAC dance, of course, will take place on Friday evening in the hotel ballroom. The Sensations, a Lexington dance band fixture, will be performing for your dancing pleasure.

#### Saturday Tours of Area Archaeological and Historical Sites

We are planning guided tours of several area archaeological and historical sites on Saturday afternoon, including Adena Mound and Earthwork sites, Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill and Camp Nelson Civil War Heritage Park, and Historic Kentucky Bourbon Trail. Participants may choose one of these guided tours and then all groups will meet in the early evening for a catered dinner. Buses or vans for each tour will leave from the conference hotel beginning at 1:00 P.M. Tour prices include all costs for transportation, entry tickets (where required), and the catered dinner.

#### Tour 1: Adena Mounds and Earthworks

Nestled in the heart of central Kentucky's horse country are numerous Adena mounds and earthworks. This tour will take you through the picturesque horse country of rural Fayette, Bourbon, and Clark counties with stops at several sites to see and learn about the latest Adena research. Most of these sites are on private property, not generally accessible to the public. Cost per ticket: \$30.

#### Tour 2: Shakertown at Pleasant Hill and Camp Nelson Civil War Heritage Park

This tour begins with a visit to the Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill (www.shakervillageky.org/), the largest restored Shaker community in the U.S. Dr. Kim McBride, who has worked at this village for more than 20 years, describes how her research has contributed to interpretations of Shaker life. Then it is on to Camp Nelson Civil War Heritage Park (www.campnelson.org/home.htm). This Union depot was also a major African-American recruitment center. Dr. W. Stephen McBride will highlight aspects of his ongoing research as he leads participants in a tour of this historical site. Cost per ticket: \$30

#### Tour 3: Historic Kentucky Bourbon Trail

This trip includes guided tours of two historic distilleries. First stop on the tour is Labrot and Graham Distillery (www.woodfordreserve.com/Default.aspx), a National Historic Landmark, in rural Woodford County. Then it is on to the Buffalo Trace Distillery (www.buffalotrace.com) in downtown Frankfort. Learn about the historic bourbon industry in Kentucky with opportunities to sample several different bourbons. Cost per ticket: \$45.

#### Travel

If traveling by automobile, Lexington is at the crossroads of Interstates 64 and 75. Check your favorite map service for local driving directions. The Hilton Downtown Hotel is located at 369 West Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507. Lexington Blue Grass Airport (LEX) is approximately 6 miles from the Hilton Downtown. There is complimentary shuttle service from the airport to the hotel. Blue Grass Airport is served by several major airlines, including American, Continental, Delta, Northwest, United, and US Airways. The Louisville International Airport (SDF) and Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG) are both an easy hour and a half drive from Lexington. With a larger number of major carriers, they may be an option for some travelers.

# CHECK THE SEAC WEB PAGE FOR CURRENT CONFERENCE INFORMATION www.southeasternarchaeology.org/2010SEAC/seac2010.html

#### SEAC PUBLIC OUTREACH AWARDS

#### 2009 Award: North Carolina Archaeology Day

On an unusually brisk afternoon last fall, approximately 400 visitors, volunteers, and teachers attended the first North Carolina Archaeology Day. The free event took place on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and was funded in large part by a SEAC Public Outreach Grant. Co-sponsors included the North Carolina Archaeological Society (NCAS), UNC's Research Laboratories of Archaeology (RLA), and UNC's Society of Anthropology Students.

Archaeology Day was designed to raise public awareness about North Carolina's ancient past, its American Indian heritage, and the importance of preserving archaeological resources. It featured presentations, demonstrations, tours, displays, and activities related to archaeology and 12,000 years of North Carolina's unwritten history.

Fire making (right), dart throwing, flintknapping, and pottery making demonstrations fascinated visitors of all ages. Seven family-friendly presentations by archaeologists and a storyteller were also popular among visitors ages 10 and up.



About 100 children explored more than a dozen hands-on activities developed primarily by UNC students. Colorful footprints and "history hunt" clues led to stations where kids "excavated" cookies, identified plant remains, built their own pots (below), created rock art, and pieced together pottery puzzles (upper right). An education specialist formally evaluated the activities before and during the event, and instructions and materials for some of them are available through the RLA's website.



The teacher's workshop held in conjunction with the public event introduced formal and informal educators to resources available through the RLA. Participants received a copy of North

Carolina's *Intrigue of the Past* curriculum and modeled several exercises. The workshop facilitators also shared examples of student work to demonstrate how the curriculum fits into the state's standard course of study.

Archaeology Day exceeded expectations for a new event, especially with respect to participation by North

Carolina's archaeological **Exhibitors** community. included UNC's American Indian Center; Elon University; **Exploring** Joara Foundation; Fort Bragg's Cultural Resources Management Program; Friends Town Creek; Friends of **OAR**; New South Associates: NC Museum of History; NC Archaeological Council; Office of State Archaeology; East Carolina University;



Schiele Museum; UNC-Greensboro; Trading Path Association; TRC Garrow, Inc.; UNC-Charlotte; USDA National Forests; Wake Forest University; and Western Carolina University.

Visitors came from many areas of the state and learned about the event through a variety of sources. The event's website was linked to the homepages of the RLA and NCAS. The UNC community was invited through Facebook, an announcement on the university's homepage, and class visits. Information was also distributed through a press release, community calendars, public service announcements, local festivals, the NC Environmental Education office, and the NC Commission of Indian Affairs. Finally, fliers were posted around Chapel Hill and sent to schools and youth organizations.

For evaluation purposes, visitors were encouraged to leave comments in a guest book. The children's "history hunt" also included survey questions. Additional feedback was solicited by contacting a sample of visitors and participants after the event.

Overall, feedback has been very positive, especially for a new event. Visitors and participants alike were pleased with the variety and quality of activities. In general, the demonstrations were the most popular stations and attracted the most diverse audiences. The presentations were a big draw for older visitors, with some adults staying for multiple shows.

Volunteers, parents, and our independent evaluator all reported that children at the hands-on activities were very engaged. One 10-year-old was overheard saying in a rather surprised tone, "This is really fun. I want to stay longer!" Another mother wrote that her II-year-old son, "tried not to get interested, but at one point, looked at me and said 'this is actually kind of cool." The history hunt surveys indicated that most children learned something about the science of archaeology, North Carolina's ancient human past, and the importance of preserving archaeological resources.

An NCAS board member summed it up well when he said, "Wow! I can't imagine how SEAC could have spent its money in a better way." We intend to make Archaeology Day a regular event, with future plans involving forming partnerships with local schools and scheduling the event for a warmer month.

- Theresa McReynolds Research Laboratories of Archaeology University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

# Fort Frederica National Monument Wins 2010 Public Outreach Grant for Community Archaeology Festival

The 2010 SEAC Public Outreach Grant was awarded to Fort Frederica National Monument, St. Simons Island, Georgia, for their project "Digging History" at Fort Frederica: Community Archaeology Festival.

Fort Frederica National Monument has already been serving over 1,000 4th-grade students in an award-winning archeology education program in partnership with the Glynn County School System and Board of Education. The SEAC Public Outreach Grant will help fund an expansion of this program into a community archaeology festival to be held in May to coincide with Georgia Archaeology Awareness Month. In addition to the one-day festival, the Fort will reach out to under-served audiences by welcoming local after-school programs on the afternoon preceding the festival. The Fort hopes to make this pilot project into an annual event.

The festival will enable park visitors to interact with the past by engaging in hands-on archaeology discovery stations to learn about colonial life. The festival will feature interactive archaeology games and activities, displays, an artifact identification booth, and presentations. The festival will also feature the Society for Georgia Archaeology's new *Archaeobus* - a restored bookmobile that travels around the state of Georgia to educate students and community groups about the science of archaeology.

The SEAC grant will help pay for supplies and materials to construct the interactive archaeology games and activities, as well as to provide stipends for archaeologists and educators assisting with the event. After the event, the games and activities will be further used for other park programs and outreach projects.

For more information on Fort Frederica's archaeology education program, visit their web site at www.nps.gov/fofr/planyourvisit/arched.htm. For additional information on this and past SEAC grant winners, visit the SEAC website.

- Mary L. Kwas, Chair SEAC Public Outreach Grant Committee

#### 56<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Midwest Archaeological Conference

The annual meeting of the Midwest Archaeological Conference will be held at the Indiana Memorial Union on the campus of Indiana University from October 20-24, 2010 and will be hosted by the Glenn A. Black Laboratory of Archaeology in celebration of its 45 years of innovative archaeology. Several exciting sessions and events are being organized, including symposia on Indiana archaeology, new research at Angel Mounds, and geoarchaeology in the Ohio valley. A lithic exchange event, curation workshop, and field trip to Angel Mounds are also planned. We also encourage the development of other symposia, workshops, or field trips. Important deadlines include:

May I Call for Symposia, Papers/Posters, & Workshops

June I Early Registration Begins

Sept. 6 Final Date for Symposia, Papers/Posters, & Workshops

Sept. 20 Last Day for Early Registration & Hotel Discounts

Contact G. William Monaghan or Timothy Bauman at the Glenn A. Black Laboratory of Archaeology at (812) 855-9544 or gbl@indiana.edu. Conference information is also available at www.gbl.indiana.edu/mac2010.html.

#### **CURRENT RESEARCH**

#### Florida

#### Field School discovers Mission San Joseph de Escambe

In the summer of 2009, the Pensacola Colonial Frontiers project conducted archaeological reconnaissance in search of a mid-18th century Apalachee Indian mission known as San Joseph de Escambe (1741-1761). This was the focus of one of three University of West Florida field schools carried out this past summer under the supervision of principal investigator John Worth and field director Jennifer Melcher. A team of graduate and undergraduate students carried out a 20 m-interval shovel test survey along the Escambia River at Molino, Florida, determined, based on First Spanish- and British-era documentation, to have been the likely location of the mission, burned on April 9, 1761 by Creek Indian raiders. During the 10-week field school, a previously unidentified and well-preserved site measuring just over a hectare in size was discovered and tested, resulting in the recovery of clear evidence for the 18th century Apalachee mission village, which also housed a detachment of Spanish cavalry beginning in 1760. In addition to a wide assortment of Native American and Spanish artifacts dating to the mid-18th century, evidence of three wall-trench structures was located, including a substantial post-on-sill building with numerous forged iron nails still in their original positions, as well as two superimposed post-inground wall-trench structures under a substantial clay cap with an intrusive colonial-era firepit, and a nearby cob-filled smudge pit. Portions of the site, which is largely unplowed, also contain prehistoric occupational evidence from the Late Archaic, Woodland, and Mississippi periods. More intensive excavations at Mission Escambe are planned for the 2010 UWF summer field school.

Blogs for the 2009 UWF summer field schools can be read at:

Pensacola Colonial Frontiers www.pensacolacolonialfrontiers.blogspot.com/

Arcadia Mill Village www.arcadiamillvillage.blogspot.com/

Maritime Field School www.uri.edu/artsci/his/mua/project\_journals/wf09/wf09 intro.shtml

#### **University of South Florida Summer Field Schools**

The University of South Florida summer archaeological field school conducted an archaeological survey of St. Vincent Island, a National Wildlife Refuge in Gulf County,

northwest Florida. The island is about 12.500 acres and has nearly continuous sites along the bay shores. Despite record densities of clouds of mosquitoes and yellowflies, the 7-student crew relocated all known sites on the north shore of this beautiful white-sand barrier island, and discovered one previously unrecorded site. Everything from fiber-tempered pottery to British and Indian gunflints was found along the north and east shore, indicating lots of human use over the last four millennia, at least. A graduate student will be writing up the project for a master's thesis. Public archaeology day programs were held in Port St. Joe in February and in Apalachicola in May to bring the message of archaeology to local residents and record collectors' data. A monitoring program was set up for the island so that interested volunteers can record prehistoric materials washing out of the shores with photos, notes, GPS coordinates, and other information but without taking anything off the island, which would be illegal.

The field crew also excavated a test unit into the shell midden associated with (185 m west of) Gotier Hammock mound (on the mainland, which was tested last year) to see if it was contemporaneous with the mound itself. In addition, we tested a strange cluster of shells at a private residence on Indian Pass peninsula to see if it was a prehistoric midden, but it appeared to be someone's extensive but discarded shell collection from long ago. Finally, we took a boat up the Chattahoochee to explore threatened sites with the Army Corps of Engineers archaeologist in Henry and Houston Counties, Alabama; Early, Seminole, and Decatur Counties, Georgia; and Jackson and Gadsden Counties, Florida, along the Apalachicola River. Students are now back in the lab processing materials. This is an RPA-certified field school, so they learn many tasks. [Do consider applying for RPA certification; now they offer student scholarships].

> -Michael Arbuthnot Florida Current Research Contact marbuthnot@ESINC.CC

#### North Carolina

#### New NC Archaeological Council Publication

Since 1974, the North Carolina Archaeological Council (NCAC) has published seminal volumes on prehistoric and historic period archaeology in North Carolina. The latest volume in the NCAC Publication series, *In the Angle of the Woods: Archaeological and Historical Investigations of the Sprott Cemetery (31Mk1081)*, By Hugh B. Matternes and Terri Gillett, details the discovery of the

Sprott Cemetery, a mid to late 18<sup>th</sup> century burial ground encountered during the construction of an extension to CMC-Mercy Hospital in Charlotte. The remains of fourteen individuals were documented and archaeologically recovered, and through careful historical research, were identified as members of some of the earliest families to settle in the area of Mecklenburg County during the 18<sup>th</sup> century. This research allowed their recovered remains to be reinterred in a nearby cemetery that contained descendants of the identified families. This volume stands as an outstanding example of combined historical research and mortuary studies, and will be of interest to anyone involved in the research of historic period cemeteries, historic burial practices, analysis of non-native historic skeletal remains, or early Backcountry settlement.

However, you will not have to wait to receive a copy at the next archaeology meeting or in the mail! Following the lead of our colleagues in other states, as well as the publication trend in many disciplines, the NCAC will publish *In The Angle of the Woods*, as well as all future volumes, in Adobe (.pdf) electronic format. This will allow everyone to easily access the NCAC Publication website at <a href="https://www.rla.unc.edu/ncac/Publications/index.html">www.rla.unc.edu/ncac/Publications/index.html</a>, download it to your PC or Mac, and print it at your leisure. This move is a more efficient way to distribute NCAC publications, and will also save printing costs that may allow future volumes to be published faster.

If you are missing any of the Council Publication series, previous volumes I through 27 have been digitized and are all available for download at the same website. There are still many print copies available of NCAC Publication 28, Carl Steen's excellent Restoration Excavations at Somerset Plantation, 1994 and 2001. Should you wish to order a print copy of this volume, please contact NCAC Secretary Shawn Patch (spatch@newsouthassoc.com).

Should anyone have a report, manuscript, or thesis related to the prehistoric, historic period, or underwater archaeology that they would like the North Carolina Archaeological Council to consider for publication, please contact NCAC Editor Tom Beaman (at tebeaman@waketech.edu or tbeamanjr@aol.com) for more details. Remember, all NCAC Publications are blind peer reviewed to insure a high quality editorial standard of research and presentation.

-Tom Beaman North Carolina Current Research Contact tebeaman@waketech.edu

#### **EXPLORING JOARA**

Led by David Moore (Warren Wilson College), Rob Beck (University of Michigan), and Chris Rodning (Tulane University), the Exploring Joara Project is planning another season of archaeological fieldwork in the upper Catawba Valley of western North Carolina. The Berry site is the location of the Native American town of Joara, and the location of Fort San Juan. The fort was established by Captain Juan Pardo in 1567, as Pardo's major outpost along the northern border of the Spanish colonial province of La Florida. Fort San Juan and five other forts established by the Juan Pardo expeditions were abandoned in 1568. Our long-term archaeological project focuses on the nature of early encounters and interactions between Native American towns and Spanish expeditions in the upper Catawba Valley and surrounding areas of western North Carolina, and the effects of early contact on native societies in this region at the northern edge of the Southeast.

Field school excavations at the Berry site will take place from June 1 through June 25, 2010. Our annual Field Day at the Berry site will take place from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM on Saturday, June 26, 2010. The public are invited to attend this free event, which includes site tours, artifact displays, and exhibits by Native American potters and primitive technology. Other planned activities for the summer of 2010 include:

- Dissertation excavations at a Native American house at a village site known as Catawba Meadows, eight miles south of the Berry site, led by Merritt Sanders, a doctoral student at Tulane University.
- The beginning of a regional survey in one area of the upper Yadkin Valley—the watershed located just north of the upper Catawba Valley—by Travis Williams, an M.A. student at the University of Oklahoma.
- Weeklong teacher workshops in field archaeology at the Berry site, led by Theresa McReynolds, Ph.D. candidate at the University of North Carolina, during June and July.

To learn more about our research activities and related public outreach and education programs, visit the web site of the Exploring Joara Foundation: www.joarafoundation.org/.

-Chris Rodning Tulane University

# JOFFRE COE, JOSEPH CALDWELL, AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO'S KINCAID FIELD SCHOOL (1935-1944)

#### By Pamela Baughman

The Kincaid site is a large Mississippian period political center situated in a portion of the Ohio River's floodplain in southern Illinois. Once fortified with a wooden palisade, the site consists of a central plaza ringed by five large platform mounds and several small mounds. This site has long been known by archaeologists in particular and the public in general due to its magni-

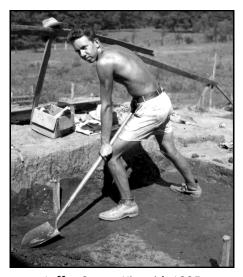


tude, but it is perhaps less well known for the role it played in the development of the early careers of many notable archaeologists.

The University of Chicago conducted excavations at Kincaid from 1934 to 1944 and reported on that work in the 1951 publication, *Kincaid, A Prehistoric Illinois Metropolis*, by Fay-Cooper Cole, Robert Bell, John Bennett, Joseph Caldwell, Norman Emerson, Rich-

ard MacNeish, Kenneth Orr, and Roger Willis. At this time, the University of Chicago was a prime training ground for archaeologists, where they learned the careful field methods and horizontal and vertical controls of the "Chicago school" under directors Fay-Cooper Cole and Thorne Deuel. Cole had a specific interest in the archaeology of social behavior, and the field schools sponsored by Chicago focused on the "climax" cultures of Hopewell Mississippian (Muller and 2002:102-104). Cole's method of operation was to train graduate students for a few weeks and then put them out in the field under supervision but in charge of numerous locally hired labor-This experience prepared many young archaeologists for a Works Progress Administration (WPA) job, or a "Southeastern initiation" (Kelly in Caldwell and McCann 1941).

Joffre Coe and Joseph Caldwell were two notable southeastern beneficiaries of the Chicago experience. As a high school and college student, Joffre Coe corresponded and interacted with several prominent archaeologists in the United States at that time, including Carl Guthe, Fay-Cooper Cole, N.C. Nelson, Frank H.H. Roberts, Jr., John R. Swanton, Ralph Linton, Thorne Deuel, and W.H. McKern. Apparently impressed by Coe's discussion, Carl Guthe encouraged the young Coe to contact Fay-Cooper Cole to gain more formalized training in field archaeology (Coe Foundation 2001). As a freshman in college in 1935, Coe participated in the summer archaeological field school of the University of Chicago. In 1936, as a sophomore in college, Coe participated in the field school of the University of Wisconsin (Ferguson 2002) and eventually completed his studies



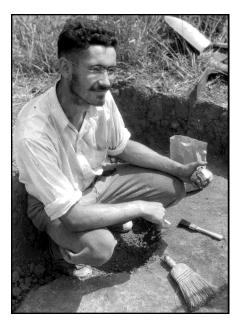
Joffre Coe at Kincaid, 1935.

by attending Brevard College, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and the University of Michigan. While working at Kincaid in 1935 and later at the University of Michigan, Joffre Coe developed important relationships with many notable characters, but perhaps most significantly with James B. Griffin. Coe also developed skills and ideas that helped him in directing work at the Town Creek mound in North Carolina (Coe 1995).

Joseph Caldwell enrolled in the University of Chicago in 1932 at the tender age of 16, where he quickly bypassed a Bachelor's degree and entered the Master's program. Caldwell worked at the Kincaid field school in 1936 and 1937. His experience perfectly prepared him for his first real archaeology job, working with Antonio Waring, Jr., Preston Holder, Frederick Hulse, and many others on WPA projects near Savannah, Georgia (1937-1941). Caldwell was one of many northern graduate students who at the time brought new methods and ideas to an area with a dearth of professionally trained archaeologists and few anthropology departments at universities. Coastal sites such as Meldrim, Bilbo, Dotson Mounds, Walthour, Cedar Grove, and Deptford were excavated during this period, but the most notable work was done at the Irene site in Chatham County. Joseph Caldwell also took ideas from his time with the University of Chicago and Fay-Cooper Cole. Caldwell also focused much of his later research on the concepts of the "climax" cultures of Hopewell and Mississippian.

Caldwell's dissertaion, later published jointly by the Illinois State Museum and American Anthropological Association as a monograph, *Trend and Tradition in the Prehistory of the Eastern United States*, brought forward many of the concepts Caldwell had been exposed to in Chicago and married them with his field experiences in the Southeastern United States (Caldwell 1958).

The Chicago, and in particular Kincaid, experience created waves of "young turks" who at-



Joseph Caldwell at Kincaid, 1936.

tempted to define a new type of archaeology which kept more in line with the direction of a more modern anthropology, one that was more social than cultural (Muller 2002:105). The work in Illinois at this time included a majority of the most significant post-World War II archaeologists, in addition to Coe and Caldwell. It is evident that the interplay of these personalities, ideas, and experiences in the Black Bottom of Illinois set a unique stage for the dramatic development of the next generation of players in the archaeology of the Southeastern United States.

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#### Nominations Requested: 2010 C.B. Moore Award

SEAC has assumed responsibility from the Lower Mississippi Survey for presenting the annual C.B. Moore Award for excellence in archaeology by a young scholar in southeastern archaeology and associated studies. Under a motion passed by the executive board at the Spring 2010 meeting, the SEAC immediate past president, for this year Ken Sassaman, will oversee the award nomination and voting process. The nominations are open to all those who have been conducting southeastern archaeology and who have completed their Ph.D. within the previous ten years from the date of award.

A maximum 200-word nomination statement and a CV for the candidate in question should be sent to the SEAC immediate past president, Kenneth E. Sassaman [sassaman@ufl.edu], by no later than August 15th.

The award winner will be determined by whichever candidate receives the most votes among a committee consisting of (I) all past C.B. Moore Award winners; (2) all voting members of the SEAC Executive Committee at the time of the election, and (3) one member of the LMS, to be appointed by members of that organization. In the event of a tie, each candidate tied for first place will receive the award. In the event a member of the SEAC Executive Committee is a past C.B. Moore Award winner or the designated LMS representative, or both, s/he shall have only one vote.

#### Milanich Chosen as American Academy Fellow

Jerald T. Milanich, contributing editor at Archaeology magazine and curator emeritus in archaeology at the Florida Museum of Natural History was named a fellow in the American Academy of Arts & Sciences. He is among 229 new fellows who join one of the nation's most prestigious honorary societies and a center for independent policy research. Other 2010 inductees include actors John Lithgow, Steve Martin, and Denzel Washington; movie director Francis Ford Coppola; Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams; journalist Christiane Amanpour; David Ferriero, Archivist of the United States; James Leach, National Endowment for the Humanities Chair; and G. Wayne Clough, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution. Visit the Academy's website learn more www.amacad.org/news/new2010.aspx.

#### **Student Affairs Committee News**

The 2009 annual meeting was a tremendous success for the Student Affairs Committee. Our workshop, lunch forum, and reception were all well attended, informative, and very enjoyable. Lynne Sullivan, Jamie Brandon, Tom Pluckhahn, and Ian Brown had wonderful advice for our student members in the "Starting Your Own Research" workshop. Rob Beck, Victor Thompson, Dave Moore, and Ramie Gougeon also gave us some wonderful insight into professional development and interviews at the "Navigating the Job Search" lunch forum. The student reception was made possible by generous support from the SEAC Executive Board, TRC Garrow and Associates (Durham), University of Southern Mississippi Department of Anthropology, University of Tennessee (Chattanooga) and R. Christopher Goodwin and Associates. Thank you to all our participants and sponsers!

We are very happy to welcome our new members, Alison Hadley (University of Kansas) as the chair -elect and Elicia Kimble (University of South Florida) and Duncan McKinnon (University of Arkansas) as our members-at-large. In addition, Eric Johanson (University of Tennessee) will be taking over the student website as the new webmaster. The committee also thanks our outgoing members, Meg Kassabaum, Lynn Funkhouser, and Lucinda Langston for their diligent service. We have large shoes to fill in 2010!

As the 2010 meeting is slowly approaching, the committee is looking to repeat our fantastic student attendance and host some wonderful events in Lexington. We are also currently reworking the student website and hope to have an updated version available as soon as possible.

- Victoria Dekle, Chair Student Affairs Committee

"As I see the function of the SEAC, it is much the same as it was when we first formed it in the late 1930's – to communicate with the various people doing work in the Southeastern region."

Charles H. Fairbanks writing in 1979 SEAC Newsletter (Vol. 21)

#### SEAC FALL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING NOVEMEBER 4, 2009

Attending: President David Anderson; President-Elect Ann Early; Treasurer Victor Thompson; Treasurer-Elect Karen Smith; Investment and Finance Committee Chair Paul Welch; Native Affairs Committee Brent Riggs; Editor Charlie Cobb; Associate Editors, Phil Hodge, Rob Moon, and Eugene Futato; Executive Officer II Chris Rodning; Executive Officer I Tom Pluckhahn; Student Affairs Committee Outgoing President Meg Kassabaum; Incoming Student Affairs Committee President Viki Dekle, Student Paper Award Committee Chair Richard Weinstein; Lifetime Achievement Award Chair David Hally; SEAC 2011 Committee Dick Jeffries, George Crothers, David Pollack; SEAC Past President Ken Sassaman

The meeting was called to order by President Anderson at 6:40 pm.

**FUTURE MEETINGS**: The president asked for reports on the present and future meetings.

**SEAC 2009:** Phil Carr reported on the present (Mobile) meeting. There were 503 advance registrations and 37 onsite registrants at the time of the Board meeting Wednesday evening. Hundreds of advanced registrations came in just a couple weeks prior to the meeting. This made it challenging for organizers to determine quantities of food, etc.

**SEAC 2010:** George Crothers reported on the meeting, which will be held in Lexington, Kentucky, October 27-30, 2010. Meeting organizers are Dick Jeffries, George Crothers, David Pollack, and Steve Ahler. The meeting will be held from October 27–30 in the same downtown hotel as the 1995 SEAC. However, Hilton has taken over the building and has done extensive renovations. There is free parking and a free airport shuttle.

**SEAC 2011:** Kenneth Sassaman reported on the 2011 meeting, which will be held in Jacksonville, Florida from November 2-6, 2011. Ken Sassaman will be the meeting coordinator. The meeting will be at the Hyatt Regency, near the Jacksonville Riverfront. Rooms will be \$119/night. Excursions may include Kingsley Plantation and nearby Archaic period shell rings.

**SEAC 2012:** (possible) Rich Weinstein presented the details on the probable venue, which will be in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Rich Weinstein will handle local arrangements and Rebecca Saunders will be the program chair. The last time that SEAC was held in Baton Rouge was 1997 and at that time the only hotels large enough to hold the meeting were on the interstate. For 2012, a downtown venue was sought. Negotiations are ongoing with the newly renovated downtown Hilton, right on the Mississippi River. Some room charges are of concern and the room block is small. The rooms are also somewhat small but outdoor and indoor social spaces are very nice. The room rate is \$145/night, which is also under negotiation.

**Possible Future venues:** 2012 (if Baton Rouge does not work out) or 2013, Greenville, Charlie Cobb (also a Hyatt Regency hotel). The Hyatt Regency has been proactive in contacting SEAC for future meetings (re: Jacksonville, above), and at present can handle a meeting in either year.

#### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

Lifetime Achievement Committee, David Hally, chair, noted that there were two nominations and one winner (see New Business, in which a motion was passed to allow multiple winners). At the Business Meeting, the plaque for last year's winner, Bennie Keel, will be presented, since it was not available at the time. There will also be a Special Recognition Award presented to Judtih Knight. The membership of the committee is changing. David Hally is rotating out; and either Bill Marquardt or lan Brown will become chair. A new member of the committee is needed.

Native American Affairs Committee, Brent Riggs, chair, reported that the Native American forum at this year's SEAC will focus on current issues in consultation in Alabama. There are six panel members. Brent noted that the committee would like to pursue a previous SEAC policy of one complimentary membership for each federally recognized tribe that consults in the Southeast. Some tribes are taking advantage of the complimentary membership, but many either were unaware of the comp or did not pursue it initially. Brent also asked that the membership make an effort to include Native American students in fieldwork and research. He suggested that SEAC members might approach their universities to provide tuition

waivers for Native American students. There was additional discussion on how to provide funds to tribes for participation in archaeological field research.

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

**President: David Anderson** reported that he has been keeping the Executive Board informed by regular detailed emails on events related to the running of the organization.

**Secretary: Rebecca Saunders** reported on the Fall 2009 election, which was again handled electronically by Vote-Now. After much searching, only 46 of the 736 paid-up individual memberships for 2009 could not be reached by email. These folks were sent paper ballots; 13 paper ballots were returned. There were 373 email votes, down from last year's total of 434, but much better than the 159 paper ballots received in 2007. The results, announced by President Anderson, were:

Secretary-Elect, Penelope Drooker Treasurer, Karen Smith Executive Officer I, Sarah C. Sherwood

Treasurer: Victor Thompson reported that SEAC remains in good financial standing. Despite fluctuations in the overall economy, we continue to remain a strong organization. As of the end this fiscal year, SEAC has \$224,190.07 in financial assets. Of this total, \$86,808.95 is in liquid assets (with \$48,234.59 in the Merrill Lynch EMA Working Fund checking account; \$27,619.30 in the Merrill Lynch EMA Mutual Funds; \$10,284.93 in Life Fund Money Market account; \$670.13 in the Associate Editor for Publication Sales account); \$103,188.42 in various Life Fund Long-Term Investments; and \$34,192.70 inventoried (at cost) in the Publication Inventory. Over the course of the year, SEAC's total financial assets increased by \$35,522.85; however, this makes up for ca. 70% of the loss that we incurred last year. Almost all of these fluctuations are the result of market fluctuations in the Merrill Lynch Low Duration Fund as well as the Life Fund Investment accounts (see "Investment and Finance Committee Report").

SEAC had a total income of \$36,944.54 in the EMA Working Fund account including \$31,968.79 from membership renewals; \$122.40 in dividends/interest from EMA Mutual Funds (of which \$120.48 was reinvested into the Mutual Funds with the difference of

\$2.08 returned to the Working Fund account); \$553.35 in royalties; \$1,100 in donations/gifts and \$3,200 in SEAC 2008 Annual Meeting revenues.

SEAC had EMA Working Fund account expenditures totaling \$37,516.12. This amount includes \$25,928.73 in publication costs for the SEAC journal and newsletter; \$150.00 in EMA annual banking service fees; \$120.48 in EMA Mutual Funds dividends/interest reinvestments; a \$20.00 annual corporate filling fee; \$1,410 for Web Hosting services; \$1,990.00 for the annual CPA financial review and filling; \$2,000.00 to the Public Outreach Grant award; \$1966.71 in treasury office expenses (includes two computers); \$79.18 for SEAC 2008 award plaques; \$53.75 for a membership refund; \$1,917.75 for ballot mailings; \$2,000.00 for the SEAC 2009 Conference Center deposit.

Overall, organizational expenditures exceeded income by \$571.58. However, several extraneous costs contributed to this fiscal year including the purchase of two new computers (at \$1966.71) this year to aid both the treasurer and the editor.

In 2009, the publication cost per member was calculated at \$29.23 (total SEAC publications cost of \$25,928.73 divided by 887 members). This is largely due to the decrease in membership from its peak last year.

Regarding membership, SEAC's numbers remain strong with a standing total of 887 memberships for the year 2009. However, this is a decrease by 137 members from the 2008 year. Of the current membership, 155 are student members, a decrease from last year's student membership of 183, so let's continue soliciting our colleagues to become members so that our membership will increase for the 2010 year.

After the formal report, the Treasurer asked that members renew in January, rather than late in the year, as it makes resolving finances for the Fall meeting much easier.

Investment and Finance Committee, Paul Welch, chair, reported that our investments reclaimed about half the value that they lost during the previous year. At the end of October, 2009, the Life Fund portfolio was worth \$95,803.79, up from \$85,311.62 at the end of October, 2008. While this 12.3% gain is very gratifying, the portfolio is still well below its value two years ago, \$126.362.81. The current value is about where the Fund

Treasurer's Annual Report for the Fiscal Year Ending October 31, 2009

|                                       | FY2009       | FY2009       | FY2008       | FY2008      |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
|                                       | Working Fund | Life Fund    | Working Fund | Life Fund   |
| ASSETS                                |              |              |              |             |
| Cash (Checking/Money Market)          |              |              |              |             |
| Merrill Lynch EMA                     | \$43,761.21  |              | \$47,844.69  |             |
| Bank of Moundville                    | \$670.13     |              | \$1,572.26   |             |
| Vanguard Money Market                 |              | \$10,284.93  |              | \$14,154.50 |
| Investments (EMA funds, Mutual funds) | \$27,619.30  | \$103,188.42 | \$19,414.38  | \$71,157.12 |
| Publication Inventory (at cost)       | \$34,192.70  |              | \$30,050.89  |             |
| Total Assets                          | \$106,243.34 | \$113,473.35 | \$98,882.22  | \$85,311.62 |
| REVENUES, GAINS, & OTHER SUPPORT      |              |              |              |             |
| SEAC Dues                             | \$31,968.79  |              |              |             |
| EMA Dividends/Interest                | \$1,696.33   |              |              |             |
| Royalities                            | \$553.35     |              |              |             |
| Annual Meeting Revenue                | \$3,200.00   |              |              |             |
| Donations                             | \$1,100.00   |              |              |             |
| Total Revenue Gains                   | \$38,518.47  |              |              |             |
| Total Nevende Sams                    | φ30,310.17   |              |              |             |
| EXPENSES                              |              |              |              |             |
| Publications                          | \$25,928.73  |              |              |             |
| Allen Press Printing                  |              |              |              |             |
| Kaufman Editorial Services            |              |              |              |             |
| SEAC Newsletter                       |              |              |              |             |
| EMA Annual Fee                        | \$150.00     |              |              |             |
| EMA Dividend Reinvestments            | \$1,656.94   |              |              |             |
| Corporate Filing Fee                  | \$20.00      |              |              |             |
| Web Hosting                           | \$1,410.00   |              |              |             |
| CPA Fee                               | \$1,990.00   |              |              |             |
| Public Outreach Grant                 | \$2,000.00   |              |              |             |
| Office Expenses                       | \$1,966.71   |              |              |             |
| SEAC Award Plaques                    | \$79.18      |              |              |             |
| Refunds                               | \$53.75      |              |              |             |
| Electronic Ballot                     | \$1,917.75   |              |              |             |
| SEAC Conference Deposit               | \$2,000.00   |              |              |             |
| Total Expenses                        | \$39,173.06  |              |              |             |
| DECREASE IN FISCAL YEAR ASSETS        | \$654.59     |              |              |             |
| ASSETS, beginning of fiscal year      | \$98,882.22  | \$85,311.62  |              |             |
| ASSETS, ending of fiscal year         | \$106,243.34 | \$113,473.35 |              |             |
| TOTAL CONFERENCE ASSESTS (all funds)  |              | \$219,716.69 |              |             |

stood in March- June of 2006. The Bylaws permit transfer of earnings from the Life Fund to the General Fund, not to exceed the value of the Life Fund earnings during the preceding fiscal year. Our earnings in FY 2009 total \$10,492.17,

which is therefore the amount that could be transferred from the Life Fund to the General Fund during FY2010. The mutual funds are all close to their target allocations. The Index500 and HealthCare funds have the greatest devia-

Projected Fiscal Year 2010 Budget

| INCOME                               |          | Working  |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| INCOME                               |          | Fund     |
| Dues                                 |          | \$29,000 |
| Student 2010                         | \$2,500  |          |
| Regular 2010                         | \$18,000 |          |
| Family 2010                          | \$1,500  |          |
| Institution 2010                     | \$7,000  |          |
|                                      | \$29,000 |          |
| Merrill Lynch EMA Interest/Dividends |          | \$1,500  |
| Journal Publication Sales            |          | \$500    |
| Royalities                           |          | \$500    |
| Mailing List Rental                  |          | \$150    |
| Total Income                         |          | \$31,650 |
| EXPENDITURES                         |          |          |
| Treasury Office Expenses             |          | \$150    |
| Publications                         |          | \$29,000 |
| Merrill Lynch EMA Annual Fee         |          | \$150    |
| Corporate Filing Fee                 |          | \$20     |
| CPA Tax Filing                       |          | \$1,990  |
| Outreach Grant Award                 |          | \$2,000  |
| Web Hosting                          |          | \$1,650  |
| Total Expenditure                    |          | \$34,960 |
| Net Income                           |          | -\$3,310 |

Life Fund, end of Fiscal Year 2009

| 23-Oct-09   | Fund totals | % of Inv | Target  |
|-------------|-------------|----------|---------|
| Ind500      | \$52,075.99 | 60.80%   | 62.00%  |
| IntlGro     | \$10,509.23 | 12.30%   | 12.00%  |
| SmCap       | \$9,792.37  | 11.80%   | 12.00%  |
| HlthCar     | \$8,145.83  | 9.30%    | 8.00%   |
| REIT Ind    | \$4,997.10  | 5.80%    | 6.00%   |
| Subtotal    | \$85,520.52 | 100.00%  | 100.00% |
| MonMkt      | \$10,283.27 |          |         |
| Grand Total | \$95,803.79 |          |         |

tions, but both are within 2% of their targets. The Investment and Finance Committee does not recommend any rebalancing at this time.

**Editor:** Charlie Cobb reported that the new issue of Southeastern Archaeology should be ready by January.

In addition, he has received 36 new submissions. The next issue is a thematic issue in honor of Bennie Keel, and the final issue under Cobb's editorship is filling up.

Cobb suggested that we seat an Editor-elect similar to the President and Secretary elect. Anderson commented that, in fact, there should be one, and that one will be placed on the ballot in 2010. The By-Laws state that three positions should have 'elect' officers in place, Editor, Secretary, and Treasurer, and that these should be non-competitive.

President Anderson suggested that the Board review the By-Laws carefully and make changes that reflect current practice. President-Elect Early suggested that a Committee be appointed and that each member of the committee review the By-Laws independently and present recommendations to the Board at the next meeting. Tom Pluckhahn and Dave Anderson offered to be on the Committee.

Cobb reported that he had been approached by ISTOR to see if Southeastern Archaeology wanted to be included in the service. Far from costing SEAC, the organization will receive a \$2000 stipend every year. In addition, the journal is put into a pool with like publications that then split the money received from institutional subscriptions, which is predicted to be in the range of \$600. The only possible downside would be a decrease in subscriptions, though the 'moving wall' (making journals available only up to a certain number of years in the past) would probably contain that. A three-year moving wall was discussed; Welch noted that SAA recently changed their moving wall from three years to two. It was decided to test the three-year wall. It was agreed that Cobb has the authority according to the By-Laws to conclude an agreement with JSTOR; formal acknowledgement will be recorded during New Business.

Cobb thanked his co-editors (Renee Walker, Phil Hodge, and Eugene Futato) and warned that he and Renee Walker are going to be more proactive about book reviews.

**Sales Editor:** Eugene Futato presented a detailed report on back issue sales. In addition to the sales report, Futato noted that late dues payers also incur costs to SEAC for additional postage; this year there were 126 mailouts to late dues payers.

Publications Sales Report, end of Fiscal Year 2009

| Item       | Date     | Net         | Notes                                    |
|------------|----------|-------------|--|
| Office     | 10/30/08 | -\$1,000.00 | Sales turned in at Meeting               |
| Forward    | 10/30/08 | \$1,572.26  | Forward                                  |
| SEAC       | 11/12/08 | \$100.00    | SA 23(1), SP7-10 Copies                  |
| Mound      | 11/19/08 | \$47.50     | SA 25(2), 5 Copies                       |
| Yankee     | 01/12/09 | \$4.00      | Bull 51                                  |
| Office     | 02/11/09 | -\$313.60   | Postage                                  |
| Haney      | 02/16/09 | \$9.50      | SA 25(2)                                 |
| Cole       | 02/16/09 | \$24.50     | News 33(2), Bull 37, SA 10(2), 23(1), 25 |
| Office     | 09/03/09 | -\$9.53     | Reimburse for UPS Charge                 |
| Trader     | 10/06/09 | \$9.50      | SA 25(2)                                 |
| Purrington | 10/07/09 | \$106.00    | SP7, SA 21(1) - 27(1)                    |
| George     | 09/03/09 | \$120.00    | Check from SWETS SA 1-26                 |
| Balance    |          | \$670.13    |  |

**Newsletter Editor:** Phil Hodge reported that the SEAC Newsletter and website were on track.

Nominations Committee (Dick Jeffries, Ian Brown, and Lynne Sullivan), Dick Jeffries, chair, reported that there is a need for new members on the Committee for next year. The Committee is appointed by the President, who welcomes suggestions for new members. Jeffries thanked all the individuals that ran in the election: for Secretary, Penelope Drooker, Janet Rafferty, and Cameron B. Wesson; for Executive Officer I, Sarah C. Sherwood, Ramie Gougeon, and Patrick Livingood; and Treasurer-Elect, Karen Smith.

Early suggested that each Board member get a copy of the 2009 membership, so that all members could be considered in committee appointments and nominations. This should help diversify the Board and committees. Anderson suggested that the membership be posted on-line.

SEAC Public Outreach Grant Committee, reported by Mary Kwas, chair (read by Saunders). Outgoing and Incoming Committee Members. I would like to thank Rebecca Saunders, board liaison, and Thomas Foster, committee member, for their good work and service on the Public Outreach Grant Committee. I have appreciated their input and perspectives in the grant review process. Thomas Foster has expressed his willingness to serve on other SEAC committees as needed.

I would like to propose two new committee members: Darlene Applegate and James Davidson.

Darlene is an associate professor at Western Kentucky University and was the contact person for the winning 2008 SEAC Public Outreach Grant award. James Davidson is an assistant professor at the University of Florida with a joint appointment in Anthropology and African Studies. American His research includes input from descendant African American communities. Applegate and Davidson

were approved by the Executive Committee.

Status of the 2009 Winner: The 2009 Public Outreach Grant was awarded to the Research Laboratories of Archaeology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and the North Carolina Archaeological Society for the North Carolina Archaeology Day & Teacher's Workshop, which was held October 17, 2009. The contact person for this event is Theresa McReynolds of the UNC Research Laboratories of Archaeology.

This one-day family event was designed to engage children and their parents in archaeology-related activities, including displays, demonstrations, and handson activities related to archaeology and the ancient history of North Carolina's American Indian peoples. Included with the event was a Teacher's Workshop, a new professional development opportunity for educators. The workshop introduced North Carolina's *Intrigue of the Past* curriculum and Project Archaeology lessons. Teachers who use at least two of the lessons in their classrooms and provide written feedback within three months will be eligible for license renewal credits.

The event, which was in association with the North Carolina Archaeological Society's October meeting, is a pilot program. If successful, plans are to repeat Archaeology Day every three years. The SEAC grant helped pay for all materials and expenses of the program, including flyers and signage, workshop materials, and travel for demonstrators.

An interim report, received in late September, provided this update: "Archaeologists and students representing universities and organizations throughout North Carolina are participating in the event. Brief, family-oriented presentations will focus on the earliest North Carolinians, the Town Creek and Berry sites, and the Queen Anne's Revenge underwater archaeology project. Guided tours of the North Carolina Archaeological Collection and its new curation facility will allow visitors a unique opportunity to see pottery, pipes, spear points, and ornaments that are not ordinarily on display. Throughout the day, visitors can watch primitive technology and hand-coiled pottery making demonstrations, ask archaeologists to identify artifacts, and participate in hands-on activities." The final report is not expected until February. A link to the project web site can be found on the SEAC web site.

Update on the 2008 Winner: The 2008 Public Outreach Grant was awarded to the Kentucky Organization of Professional Archaeologists for Living Archaeology Weekend; Red River Gorge Geological Area, Kentucky. Living Archaeology Weekend was held September 19-20, 2008. The final report was received in good order. Educational materials produced with the 2008 grant are displayed in .pdf format on the SEAC web site.

Status of the 2010 Grant Cycle: The 2010 Grant Cycle is now beginning, and submissions are requested. Announcements have been sent to the SAA Public Archaeology Interest Group listserv, SAA Public Education listserv, SAA State Network Coordinators, SHA, Southeastern Museums Conference, National Association for Interpretation Southeast Region, and state archaeological societies in the Southeast. An announcement also appears on the back cover of each issue of the SEAC journal, and information and guidelines have a permanent home on the SEAC web site. Deadline for receipt of submissions is December 1.

The committee was very encouraged to receive 5 submissions last year, suggesting that grant information is reaching members. We were disappointed, however, that all of the submissions were for similar kinds of "archaeology day" programs, and chose North Carolina, in part, because it included a teacher's workshop. The committee would like to see more diversity in outreach programs, such as exhibits, publications, web site development, teacher's workshops, educational materials, etc., as well as projects with a longer lifespan.

Student Outreach Committee, Meg Kassabaum, chair, reported on student events at SEAC 2009. On Thursday, the Student Committee will hold a symposium on Starting Your Own Research from 3-5pm where we will discuss the variety of projects students can get involved with. Potential topics for discussion include: finding a research question, finding a site, working with existing collections, determining the scope of a project, taking on a piece of a larger project, developing research methods, getting funding, etc. This forum should be useful to undergraduates and graduate students of all levels. Directly following this will be the ever-popular student reception from 5-7pm. And then on Friday from 12-1pm, we will have a lunchtime forum on Navigating the Job Search where students will learn important skills in finding and applying to jobs in today's market. Potential topics for discussion include: what's out there for people with degrees in archaeology/anthropology, where to look for jobs, where entry-level positions can lead, and tricks of the trade regarding CV writing, cover letter writing. interview techniques, teaching portfolio composition, etc. This forum should be useful for students interested in working in both academics and CRM.

Announcement of SAC elections: The Student Affairs Committee is looking for new members, including a new Chair-elect! We welcome any and all students from any institution to apply for the committee. The Student Committee is designed to aid students of Southeastern Archaeology, both at the annual meetings and through their tenure of study. Being involved with the committee is a fantastic opportunity to get more involved in SEAC and to give back to other students around the Southeast!

If you or any of your Students are interested please email incoming SAC chair Viki Dekle (vdekle@gmail.com) with your name, email, home institution, the position you are interested in, and a brief statement about why you wish to join and ideas for future SEAC meetings. Please send the email by November 20th. Don't hesitate to get in touch with Viki or Meg if you have any questions and feel free to find us at SEAC.

**SEAC Student Paper Award Report, Rich Weinstein, chair**, reported that the announcement of the winners will be made at the Business Meeting. For the Executive Board Committee meeting, Weinstein noted that for the first time, all papers

were within the page/time limit! Weinstein also noted that he would be rotating off the Committee, Marvin Smith will be the next chair, and Dennis Blanton will move up in the rotation. Another member is needed for next year. Current policy is for one member to be from CRM, one from Academia, and one from a Museum; a new member from CRM is needed. There was a short discussion on potential conflicts of interest, but to date this has not been a problem. If a Committee member has a student with a submitted paper, he/she simply recuses himself/herself from evaluating that paper.

Donations to the Student Paper Award. Ann Early reported that as of Thursday night, there were 103 books, one pot, and two sets of back issues for an estimated value of \$3737 dollars, though that may change by the Business Meeting. (Note-it is the President-Elect's job to wrangle book donations and etc. for the award. Much of this comes from Book Room exhibitors, who are required to contribute \$150 worth of books or merchandise to the Student Paper Award.

**C.B. Moore Award**: A winner has been chosen. Anderson submitted a motion concerning future administration of the award, to be discussed under new business.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Since these matters had been discussed under Old Business or reports, Anderson asked for motions to accept the winner of the Lifetime Achievement Award and the Special Recognition Award, and to begin negotiations with JSTOR. Each was passed unanimously.

SEAC and SAC Webhosting: Meg Kassabaum reported that SAC has hired a new webmaster, Erik Johanson, and that SAC would like to join forces with SEAC to find a cheaper/simpler way to host the website(s). SAC would like a website can be updated regularly without too much cost. In terms of the main organization website: It has been costing \$2000/year for PowerServ to operate the website (\$19/mo for webhosting, \$75/hr for changes; see below). Rob Moon originally set up the service with PowerServ. The Board previously agreed that SEAC should not rely on a volunteer for webmaster, which can cause problems, especially during transitions. In addition, now that we are doing payments on line, there is a possibility that, for less secure sites, a mirror site could be set up and SEAC fees and etc. could be stolen. It was not envisioned that the service would become so expensive, and it has, largely because of the charges incurred to make changes. It was thought that PowerServ would charge in 15 minute increments, but it is apparently charging \$75 for any change, no matter how minor.

Anderson offered a UTK server and the services of one of his students to take over all functions, essentially for free. However, the volunteer issue was determined to be a problem and the board preferred that SEAC have its own domain name (i.e., not as a subsidiary of any university, etc.).

General discussion concluded that PowerServ could be used more efficiently--the hosting fees are only ca. \$240/year, and it may have a 'content management option' in which an organization can make its own changes. Anderson asked Moon to look into this option and asked Hodge to develop a SEAC listserv (similar to the way the SAC site works) so that messages can be posted to the whole membership immediately. Dekle will look into rolling the student web site into the SEAC site.

**RPA Presentation:** Bill Andrefsky, the current president of RPA, was invited by Anderson to speak about RPA to the Board. The aim is to open a dialog that may result in SEAC becoming a sponsor of RPA. Andrefsky gave some background on RPA, relating that RPA is a volunteer organization that pledges to: I) abide by a set of professional standards and ethics, 2) preserve a non-renewable resource, and 3) make sure that archaeology remains a viable profession. RPA is an outgrowth of SOPA with four initial sponsoring organizations: Society for American Archaeology; the Archaeology Division of the American Anthropological Association; Society for Historical Archaeology; and the Archaeological Institute of America. None of these organizations have a grievance process. RPA has built up a fund so that it can hire lawyers to pursue ethics violations; funds come from individual dues and from yearly donations from sponsors.

There is a substantial discount to join RPA if you are a member of one of the four sponsoring organizations; the cost is \$125/yr for non-members and \$45/yr for members (take note; many do not take advantage of this!). Since many folks are not members of national organizations, RPA is embarking on a program to incorporate the membership of regional organizations. SEAC, as the largest regional organization in the coun-

try, is the first to be approached. The advantages of sponsorship are that RPA certifies field schools and provides each sponsoring organization with a student scholarship (applied for and distributed by field school Pls). RPA also sponsors Ethics Forums at national meetings and could do so for regional sponsoring organizations as well. Each sponsoring organization has a member on the RPA Board of Directors.

At present, sponsorship for the national organizations is \$4000/year. Lately this has been 'reduced' by giving resources back, e.g., in scholarships. Regional organizations may not want to join at this level; at this stage RPA would rather agree on a concept of regional sponsorship rather than a price. SEAC has to decide what would be cost-beneficial.

Executive Board discussion produced these Q/A's:

- I. What percentage of the SEAC membership is not a member of one of the four RPA founding organizations? Approximately 40%.
- 2. Would the discounts be the same? The same price break would apply if sponsorship is at the same level as the national organizations. In addition, RPA would open up a field school, provide the scholarship, and SEAC would get a seat on RPA Board. If the contribution is smaller, a new set of rules will need to be generated.
- 3. Is \$4000 a stable price? RPA By-Laws state that the sponsorship is \$4000 until RPA should become self-sufficient (though, the reduction of \$1000 per org with the field school scholarship. AIA asked for a reduction for this year because of financial problems, and their sponsorship was reduced to \$2000).
- 4. How many grievances does RPA address each year? A lot of petty stuff is handled by the full-time grievance coordinator; most grievances are settled out of court.
- 5. RPA spent \$10,000 in legal fees for a recent grievance.

Additional discussion produced no consensus about whether SEAC should participate in RPA. Anderson asked for further input from the Board members by email prior to spring meeting.

**SEAC 2011:** A formal resolution asking Ken Sassaman to proceed with plans for the 2011 SEAC was passed unanimously.

Lifetime Achievement Award: A formal motion was made to allow more than one winner per year of the Lifetime Achievement Award, at the discretion of the Award Committee (a 2005 motion by the SEAC Executive Committee had restricted the number of winners to one per year). Passed unanimously.

**Transfer of C.B. Moore Award to SEAC:** The following 'tentative' resolution was forwarded for discussion by Anderson:

Be it resolved that SEAC will, beginning in 2010, take over responsibility from the Lower Mississippi Survey for awarding the annual C.B. Moore Award for Excellence in Southeastern Archaeology by a Young Scholar, according to the following guidelines:

- A. The President-elect shall oversee the award nomination and voting process during his/her two year term of office (overseeing the first award after having served as president-elect for almost a year, and the second the year he/she assumes the presidency at the close of the business meeting).
- B. Nominations of at least two or more potential candidates will be solicited from the membership, with the nominations open to all those who have been conducting Southeastern archaeology and who are within ten years of receiving their Ph.D.
- C. The award winner will be determined by whichever candidate receives the most votes among a committee consisting of 1) past C.B. Moore winners (n = 19 at present); 2) all voting members of the SEAC Executive Board (n = 7 at present; 10 if elected members of the board are included) and 3) one member of the LMS to be nominated by members of that organization. In the event of a tie, each candidate tied for first place will receive the award.

Discussion: There was some discussion about the makeup of the voting committee. Seeing no consensus emerging, Anderson asked for a vote simply to accept authority for making the award, so SEAC can move forward with overseeing the award next year. Passed unanimously. The mechanism by which the C.B. Moore award winner will be selected will be determined at the Spring 2010 executive committee meeting

**Seed Money for Conference Organizers:** A motion was made to allow Lexington conference organizers \$2000 seed money to get local arrangements started. Passed unanimously.

Memorial Award/SEAC Endowment: A short discussion involving just the members of the SEAC Executive Committee was held to discuss the possible fundraising options for the organization, such as setting up a Memorial Endowment fund, perhaps in honor of deceased colleagues, and to use the funds for scholarship, research awards, etc.

**ADJOURN**: Motion to adjourn was made and approved at 10:05 PM.

#### SEAC FALL BUSINESS MEETING NOVEMBER 6, 2009

Officers attending: David Anderson, Paul Welch, Victor Thompson, Charlie Cobb, Rebecca Saunders, Chris Rodning, Thomas Pluckhahn, Karen Smith

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 by President David Anderson.

#### PRELIMINARY REMARKS

President Anderson asked meeting organizer Philip Carr to extend the welcome:

Welcome: On behalf of the Vice President for Academic Affairs of the University of South Alabama, David Johnson, I welcome you to Mobile. We apologize that he could not be here tonight but it is the first football-related homecoming at the University of South Alabama and he is at an alumni event that he could not get out of. He sends his apologies. Yet he did make the ultimate sacrifice for archaeology. In addition to supporting this meeting, his eldest son was allowed to go into archaeology and is currently a graduate student at the University of West Florida. (laughter)

We have a total of 587 registrants, which is comparable to past years. With the economic downturn we were very concerned about three weeks ago when there were 292 registered; we thought we might have one of the smallest meeting in recent history. So thank you all for digging deep and coming to Mobile.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank a few people who were instrumental in making this meeting go as smoothly as it could. Program Chair Ashley Dumas put together a wonderful program and made sure things were running smoothly in that regard; Tara Potts has handled registration fabulously, even though there were some glitches with PayPal. This could not have been put on if it were not for the support of Greg Waselkov at the Center for Archaeological Studies at the University of South Alabama. Thanks to all of those. I'll remind you that we have a dance this evening—the band is a funky one I understand, so hopefully you will be ready to dance this evening. And for those of you with a ticket, there is a seafood dinner at the USS Alabama tomorrow at 5. I hope you enjoy the rest of the meeting.

President's Remarks: SEAC is moving forward with a number of items that you will hear about in the Reports of the Officers that follow. We have been doing things with our publications—making them electronically accessible. My students have been scanning all the back issues of the Newsletter, so if you have ever wondered what early volumes looked like, you will be able to see them in the near future.

The C.B. Moore Award will be awarded under the auspices of SEAC starting in 2010. We are also looking into setting up an endowment in the memory of departed colleagues and to fund a grant-in-aid program to fund student research. With that in mind, I need a good lawyer. That is, SEAC needs a good lawyer—we don't want to jeopardize our tax-exempt status when we solicit funds for these endowments, so if anyone has a spouse or friend who is a lawyer, we could use some help with this because there are tax implications when soliciting for funds.

We had a visit from the President of the Register for Professional Archaeologists at this meeting, Bill Andrefsky. He has been talking about the possibility of SEAC becoming a sponsor of the Register.

Last night we revived the Great Spirits. Four brewers, Dave Cranford, Scott Keith, Chris Moore and I shared about 50 bottles of our 'product' with people. There was a vote as to which beverage was the best and we all decided that a four-way tie would be the best way to deal with such an award.

Finally, we have meetings planned through 2012: next year's meeting is in Lexington; in 2011 it will be

in Jacksonville; and in 2012 it will be in Baton Rouge. The job of a president is to make sure that the next president has a slate of meetings, so I've done my job, or actually the people who took on the responsibility for these meetings have, so SEAC and President-Elect Ann Early won't have to worry about this during her term. But we need to get busy on establishing venues for the 2013 and 2014 meetings, so if you are interested, feel free to talk with us.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS:** See the minutes of the Fall Executive Board Meeting for Secretary, Treasurer, and Editor's reports.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** See the minutes of the Fall Executive Board Meeting for additional reports from Student Affairs and Native American Affairs Committee.

Student Affairs Committee (presented by Megan Kassabaum): Once again we've had a set of very successful student events at this year's SEAC and I'd like to thank everyone who attended them. I also owe a huge thanks to our sponsors and panel members. I'd like to take this chance to thank our Student Affairs Committee outgoing members, Lynn Funkhouser and Lucinda Langston for their service to the group, and also to introduce Viki Dekle, who will be taking over for me as Chair for next year. And finally, Viki and I would like to announce the opening of our elections. We have three spots open: a Chair-Elect spot and two member-at-large positions. Please see Viki or me if you are interested in joining and please encourage your students and friends to apply. Thanks again to the SEAC Executive Board and the Program Committee for SEAC 2009 for helping to make this meeting's student events great.

#### **CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution thanking the Meeting Organizers (presented by Nancy White): Whereas Phil Carr, Tara Potts, Ashley Dumas, and Sarah Price and their helpers have worked diligently and efficiently to make the 66th annual SEAC meeting an enormous success;

Whereas the paper presentations and posters have been well-organized and informative and have led to lively and stimulating discussion (as have Phil's colorful shirts!);

Whereas all the events, receptions, special programs and parties have been wonderful;

Whereas the hotel meeting venue is great and

they have also provided opportunities for fabulous Gulf Coast seafood and other treats and have arranged for the weather to be glorious;

Therefore be it resolved that the membership expresses our huge appreciation and thanks to Phil, Tara, Ashley, and Sarah and all their helpers for making the 2009 meeting a splendid good time and fine learning experience.

And furthermore, we expect the fun to continue at the dance in a few minutes and again tomorrow, with great papers and social, cultural, and dining events.

Resolution thanking out-going Secretary Rebecca Saunders (presented by Claudine Payne):

Whereas Becky Saunders has served excellently as secretary of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference; indeed, whereas she even went beyond the call of duty and covered for the previous secretary (me) before her term even started, thereby listening to one more set of Executive Board Meeting tape recordings than anyone should have to;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Southeastern Archaeological Conference extends its gratitude and thanks for her devotion and for a job well done.

Resolution thanking out-going Executive Officer I Thomas Pluckhahn, (presented by Chris Rodning): Whereas Tom Pluckhahn has served his term as SEAC Executive Officer I, and, whereas, Tom has been a thoughtful and articulate participant in the committee's deliberations and decisions,

Be it here resolved that SEAC thanks Tom for his service, and for his many contributions to teaching, research, and publication in the archaeology of the southeastern U.S.



SEAC 2009 Organizers; I-r, Phil Carr, Tara Potts, & Sarah Price (Ashley Dumas, Program Chair, not pictured).

Photo credit: David Anderson

Resolution thanking out-going Lifetime Achievement Award Committee Chair David Hally, (presented by Maureen Myers): Whereas David Hally has served honorably, diligently, and with careful deliberation as chair of the committee for the lifetime achievement award, and whereas he acted swiftly and with a hound-dog-like senses to locate the lost award plaque last year, let it be resolved that the membership of SEAC extends its sincere thanks to him for his years of service.

Resolution thanking out-going Student Paper Award Committee Chair Richard Weinstein (presented by Jamie Brandon): Over the past 5 or 6 years Rich Weinstein has helped give over 1313 books, worth somewhere between \$20,000 and \$25,000, to young and up-and-coming scholars in his capacity as a member and then as chair of the SEAC Student Paper Award Committee, it is therefore resolved that SEAC expresses our deep and heartfelt thanks to Rich for his excellent service. This resolution must be limited to 10 pages, double-spaced text, and it must have the same content as that presented at the annual conference.

Resolution thanking out-going Student Affairs Committee Chair Megan Kassabaum (presented by Ken Sassaman): Whereas Megan C. Kassabaum has ably served a SEAC's Student Affairs Committee for the past two yeas, first as chair-in-waiting and then as chair; And whereas Meg has brought to the job a marked level of energy, ingenuity, and dedication; And whereas she presided over the authorship of the committee's first generation of by-laws;

Be it therefore resolved that the Southeastern Archaeological Conference extends to Meg its sincere thanks for a job well done and its best wishes for the successful and expeditious completion of her Ph.D. so that she can find a good job, climb the ladder of rank and then avail herself to candidacy for president-elect of SEAC in the near future.

Resolution in Memory of David S. Phelps (presented by Bennie Keel): Whereas David Sutton Phelps labored long in Southeastern Archaeology, in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, and Virginia, inspiring students and colleagues at Florida State University and East Carolina University, now therefore let it be resolved that the Southeastern Archaeological Conference extends its condolences to his family.

Resolution in Memory of Jaime Waggoner (presented by Victor Thompson): \*It is with great sadness that I report that James Cowan Waggoner, Jr., passed away September 23, 2009, at the age of 38. Jaime was a 1997 graduate of the History Program at Georgia College and finished his M.S. degree at Florida State University in 2002. He completed his doctorate degree this year at the University of Florida under the direction of Ken Sassaman. His extensive fieldwork experience in Georgia included field schools under the direction of Mark Williams and assisting Jim Hatch and other department colleagues with the excavation of the Marshall site, He conducted collector's surveys in the Chickasawhatchee and Ichawaynochaway Creek basin where he recorded over 300 sites and greatly enhanced our understanding of Archaic period human adaptations to upland Southeastern U.S. ecosystems.

Jaime was an infectious, cheerful, and optimistic colleague, a generous and loyal friend. Over the years he volunteered his time, energy, and talent working with each of us, like Tom Pluckhahn at Kolomoki, and me at Sapelo and Veracruz, and John Chamblee in the Chickasawhatchee. He participated in field projects in Hungry and near Mexico City. He was a long distance bike rider and a talented craftsman. He exemplified a commitment to local archaeology; he always strived to place his research within the broader scope of Anthropology.

In his personal life, Jaime represented the joyousness and collegiality to which we all aspire. He will be greatly missed by his extensive community of colleagues, friends and family. Now let it be resolved that SEAC mourns his passing and extends our condolences to his friends and family.

\*This is a summary of a longer version written by John Chamblee, Victor Thompson, and Tom Pluckhahn that appears in Southeastern Archaeology volume 28, page 137.

#### **AWARDS**

**Student Paper Competition:** Report on the Award prize: Ann Early read the list of donors for the prize and reported that the value of the prize this year is \$4975 in books and products. Donors included: University of Alabama Press, University of Arkansas Press; University Press of Florida; University of Tennessee Press; Gustav's Library; Arkansas Archeological Survey; Powell Archaeological Research; Southeastern Archaeological Conference; Research Labs of Archae-

ology, University of North Carolina; Coastal Environments, Inc.; Louisiana Archaeological Society; Center for Archaeological Studies, University of South Alabama; University of Nebraska Press; Elliot Werner Press; Dan and Phyllis Morse; Marty Haythorne-Ancient Hands; Fingerweaving by Susan; Larry Conrad; David Hally; Evan Peacock; Bill Marquardt; Maria Tavaszi, with apologies for anyone we may have missed.

Award Winners (presented by Rich Weinstein, Committee Chair): This year's Student Paper Competition was perhaps one of the best and most competitive over the past several years. We had 12 excellent, and I really mean "excellent," entries from 10 different universities spanning the Southeast, Midwest, and Northeast.

At this point, I'd like to thank my co-committee members, Marvin Smith and Dennis Blanton, for expending the time and effort needed to read the papers, although, I must say, it was certainly a very enjoyable experience. I think we all learned a lot. I also would like to thank my old committee chair, Renee Walker, for her guidance over the past few years. I will be stepping down after this year and Marvin will assume my role as chair of the committee. Good luck, Marv.

In any case, as you all know, for the past several years, SEAC has selected two winners. The first-place winner receives all of the publications and items just described by Ann Early. A very impressive award, plus a pretty hefty one, to say the least. The second-place award isn't too shabby, either. It consists of all back issues of SEAC's flagship journal, Southeastern Archaeology, plus a lifetime membership in SEAC. Anyway, without further delay, I'll now announce the two winners.

The second-place award goes to the paper entitled "Archaeological Investigations of Early Caddo Settlement Patterning at the Crenshaw Site (3MI6)," by John Samuelsen of the University of Arkansas. John's study used remote sensing across a large portion of the Crenshaw site in an attempt to identify community patterns that could be related to the Teran-Soule model of Caddo settlement and to try to understand the transition between the pre-Caddo Fourche Maline component at the site with the subsequent Early Caddo occupation. The paper was well written, extremely well illustrated, and should lead to bigger and better studies at the site in the future. Congratulations, John!

And now the moment for which we've all been waiting. The first-place award goes to the paper entitled "Geoarchaeology of the Buried Poverty Point Landscape at Jaketown," by Lee Arco of Washington University, St. Louis. Lee's paper concerns recent research at an extremely important site in the Lower Mississippi Valley, a site that has not seen any extensive work since the early 1950s. The paper provides the first true understanding of the full extent of the Poverty Point component at Jaketown, including its somewhat surprising early beginning date. The author's ability to tie the geoarchaeological data into the Kidder model of extensive flooding within the Lower Mississippi Valley at the end of the Poverty Point period is highly provocative. Plus, the author offers the idea that the natural (now buried) ridge-and-swale topography at Jaketown may have served as the model for the man-made ridges at Poverty Point several hundred years later. This is fascinating and exciting new research. Congratulations.

C.B. Moore Award Background and future of the Award (T.R. Kidder): The C.B. Moore award for "Excellence in archaeology by a young scholar in Southeastern archaeology or associated studies" was established by Stephen Williams and has been presented annually at the Southeastern Archaeological Conference since 1990. This award, which recognizes some of the best and most accomplished archaeologists among our ranks, is voted on by past recipients of the award and members of the Lower Mississippi Survey. The award is funded entirely by the LMS and has cost SEAC nothing. The only expense incurred is your time.

The recipient is acknowledged by the presentation of a replica of the Moundville Cat Pipe and joins a growing list of the Southeast's most talented scholars. The recipient is recognized for contributions through fieldwork, publication, and service to the archaeological community.

This is the last year that the LMS will administer the C.B. Moore award. It has been an honor to be a part of this process because it allows me to get to know the best and the brightest in our field. I want to thank some people who have made this award possible. First, Steve Williams, without whom there would be no award. Second, my colleagues in the LMS, Dave Hally, Vin Steponaitis, and lan Brown. Their guidance has been invaluable and much appreciated. And finally, the members of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference. You have

given me your time and more importantly, you have supported the winners of the C.B. Moore Award.

**Award presentation** (presented by T.R. Kidder): This year there were three nominees and in an unprecedented vote, the vote was tied. Exercising my chiefly authority, I decided that a split decision was the best thing so it is my considerable pleasure to announce that the co-winners of the 2009 C.B. Moore Award are Sarah Sherwood and Victor Thompson.

Sarah received her Ph.D. from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville in 2002. She is widely published in journals such as Geoarchaeology, American Antiquity, and Southeastern Archaeology. Her work covers much of the geographic and temporal range of Southeastern archaeology and takes her to Eastern Europe as well. In addition to serving on the Editorial Board of Geoarchaeology Sarah is a newly elected Executive Officer in the Southeastern Archaeological Conference.

Victor was awarded the Ph.D. from the University of Kentucky in 2005. He is a past winner of the SEAC Student Paper Competition and has published in *Southeastern Archaeology, American Antiquity*, and has multiple book chapters. His fieldwork spans eastern North America and includes work in the midcontinent and along the coast. Victor has served as the SEAC Treasurer and serves as a reviewer for a number of professional journals.

Having co-winners is a new outcome for the C.B. Moore award. Since it is evident we are not going to cut up the Moundville cat pipe we initially considered a public arm wrestling match to see who would take the pipe home, but Sarah's absence means Columbus, Ohio will be the first destination for the pipe. Please join me in congratulating Victor Thompson for his accomplishments which are acknowledged by the C.B. Moore Award.

**SEAC Special Recognition Award to Judith Knight** (presented by Marvin T. Smith): SEAC would like to honor Dr. Judy Knight with a Special Recognition Award. Dr. Judy Knight has had a major impact on Southeastern archaeology through her work with the University of Alabama Press. Her efforts to publish the best research on Southeastern archaeology, and especially her efforts to market and promote the volumes, have had a far greater impact on the discipline than that of any individual researcher.

Dr. Knight's career spans five decades. Her first job in archaeology was working as a docent at the Moundville Museum in 1969. She participated in excavations at site IMg72 on the Tennessee River that same year, and later worked at the IAu28 site. After the birth of her first child, she left fieldwork behind. In the early 1970s, she worked as David Delarnette's secretary. During this period, she typed all of the Moundville contract archaeology reports and all of the issues of the Journal of Alabama Archaeology. Judy began her long reign as queen of the SEAC book room in 1976 at the Tuscaloosa meetings, selling the Journal of Alabama Archaeology and reports of the Archaeological Research Association of Alabama. The following year she began to bring University of Alabama Press books to SEAC. Over the years, Judy became the unofficial bookroom coordinator.

In the later 1970s, Judy worked as archaeological lab director for the Columbus Museum of Arts and Sciences. She next returned to graduate school at the University of Florida where she finished her M.A. in 1979 and her Ph.D. in Education in 1984. She was elected to Phi Kappa Phi in 1979.

Judy returned to Alabama and worked for the University of Alabama Press from 1985 to the present, rising to the position of Editor. She has acquired approximately 250 books that have reached print, the vast majority of which are in the field of southeastern archaeology.



Judith Knight at the 2009 SEAC in Mobile.

Photo credit: David Anderson

Judy was also a key player in organizing the prize for the SEAC Student Paper Competition, which has grown into a multi-thousand dollar prize of books and hand-crafted replicas. According to Jim Knight, the SEAC Student Paper Competition was started by Steve Williams in the late 1970s, but soon lapsed. It was revived by Jim Knight in 1992. Judy would badger the university presses, and Jim would work on everyone else. It was Judy's idea that each exhibitor in the book room would contribute at least one prize, and Judy coordinated the prize display in the book room.

Judy plans to retire from the University of Alabama Press in January, 2010. Please join me in recognizing Dr. Knight on the eve of her retirement.

(Thanks to Vernon J. Knight, Jr. for supplying the details of Judy's career)

[Judy greeted the crowd but declined to make a speech.]

#### Lifetime Achievement Award

Presentation to last year's winner, Bennie Keel (presented by Committee Chair David Hally): Those of you who were here last year remember that Bennie won the Lifetime Achievement Award of 2008, but that we did not have the plaque. About five minutes before the meeting, David looked at me and said "Do you have it" and I said "No, don't you?" If that's not bad enough, look on page 84 of the Bulletin that lists all the former Lifetime Achievement Award winners, and Eugene Futato is listed for 2008 (he got a Special Recognition Award). Bennie, I know you have been working for the government for years and you've disbursed funds for research, I know you've experienced a lot of frustration and disappointment when you don't get those awards out on time. (Bennie - "I guess it's payback.") In recognition of your patience, I'm happy to now present you with a much-deserved plaque.

Bennie Keel: Thank you, David. A year ago when I received this award certainly it was the high point of my career, and I appreciate it. I wish my wife, who died several weeks ago could be with us tonight, to see that the plaque was really real, but I know that she knows it. I would like to make a couple of comments. This is the 50<sup>th</sup> year that I have been coming to these meetings and they've changed tremendously but I'm glad to see some of my colleagues drinking beer during

the meeting; it's just like Macon was in 1959. One of the other things that I want to relate to you: when I first got in to this archaeology game and I can't remember his name but it was an anthropologist who was a dean at the University of Kentucky, he was the highest ranking archaeologist/anthropologist in the Southeast that I knew about, I never thought I'd see the day when among our colleagues we would have two university presidents, Jan Simek, at the University of Tennessee, is one and the other is my old buddy Judy Bense, who is the new president of the University of West Florida. I just believe that this shows the abilities and the characteristics and the dedication and the good sense most of you have.

Presentation to this year's winner: James A. ('Jim') Brown (presented by David Hally): Jim is the 2009 recipient of this year's Lifetime Achievement Award. Jim has a truly awesome vita. It's difficult to find an area of archaeology that he has not contributed to in some significant fashion. Many of his contributions have been trailblazing. Some have turned out quite well, some have not been followed up that much. For example, in 1964 he was doing research on main-frame computers, a Univac—how many of you have used a mainframe recently, much less a Univac? (laughter) He also published a seminal paper on sweet potatoes from north Georgia—I haven't seen any more research on that. (laughter) Actually it was a very good paper and it helped us resurrect the journal Early Georgia.

Your career began in the early 50s. It's not hard to make some seminal contributions when you've been around that long. But seriously, let me just list some of the areas in which Jim has excelled: research design, computer applications, taxonomy and typology, Spiro site archaeology, Caddoan archaeology, long-distance exchange, and I think most importantly, the Southeastern Ceremonial Complex, mortuary analysis, style analysis, iconography, and social complexity in mid-Holocene societies. I doubt that there is anybody in this room that is actively doing research that has not been influenced by your published research directly or by your many fine students whom you have mentored through the years. We congratulate you.

Jim Brown: The text of the award leaves me a little speechless. I know I've worked hard but one really rarely find the fruits of his labor until much later. I

greatly appreciate this award. I am deeply honored by the vote of the Committee here at SEAC. SEAC is an organization that I have grown very respectful of. I see the marvelous work being done by younger faculty and younger students and the excellent work done by more senior archaeologists. So, thank you very much folks.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Larry Conrad asked that SEAC check its meeting dates against the dates of other organizations that have similar interests so that the dates don't conflict. Anderson responded that SEAC does check, but in some cases conflicts are unavoidable.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM, and there was much merriment during the evening.

| Important Dates In This Issue |   |  |
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| May 22                        | Fort Frederica Community<br>Archaeology Festival                            |  |
| June 26                       | Public field day at the Berry Site  |  |
| June 30                       | Deadline for SEAC Officer<br>Nominations                                    |  |
| August 18                     | Deadline for submitting paper, poster, and symposia abstracts for SEAC 2010 |  |
| Sept. 27                      | Deadline to receive SEAC 2010 hotel room rates                              |  |
| October 13                    | Deadline for SEAC 2010 advance registration                                 |  |
| Oct. 20-24                    | Midwest Archaeological Conference Indiana University, Bloomington           |  |
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