

No SEAC Newsletters (for Volume 46) were released in 2004. The following are minutes of the November 2003 Executive Board and Annual Business Meeting, which would have appeared in the spring 2004 newsletter had it been produced.

SEAC OFFICER'S REPORTS

Secretary's Report

David G. Anderson, SEAC Secretary

MINUTES OF THE 2003 SEAC EXECUTIVE BOARD YEAR-END MEETING

The 2003 fall meeting of the Executive Board of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference was called to order by President C. Margaret Scarry at 7:10 PM, 12 November 2003, in the President's Suite at the Hilton University Place, Charlotte, North Carolina. In attendance were David G. Anderson, Jane Ann Blakeney Bailey, John Blitz, Boyce Driskell, Jane Eastman, Gayle Fritz, Eugene M. Futato, Albert C. Goodyear, III, Richard Jefferies, John Kelly, Adam King, John O'Hear, Rob Moon, Claudine Payne, C. Margaret Scarry, John Scarry, Bret Riggs, Martha Rolingson, Keith Stephenson, and Lynne P. Sullivan.

Reports and Discussions Involving Guests to the Board Meeting

Janet Levy presented a brief review of the current meeting events. Janet had a number of suggestions about formalizing the meeting organization process, which she is providing in a separate report, and which will be brought out as a series of recommendation under new business.

John Kelly filled us in on the joint SEAC/MAC meeting in St. Louis next year, October 21st through 24th, 2004. The contract has been signed. There will be an evening reception. The SEAC annual meeting and dance will take place as usual. Profits and liabilities would be prorated by the size of the organization. Tim Bauman/Bowman (??) will take the lead on the program. John Kelly will assist with local arrangements.

Keith Stephenson, Albert Goodyear, and Adam King presented a report on the proposed 2005 meetings in Columbia, South Carolina, which are sponsored by COSCAPA. Adam King, Chris Judge, and Nena Rice will handle local arrangements. Rooms are \$100/night. The last SEAC was in Columbia in 1983, and the downtown has been appreciably revamped since then.

Martha Rolingson and Claudine Payne discussed the possibility of Arkansas in 2006. Tom Green, the Director of the Arkansas Archeological Survey invited the organization to come to Little Rock. Claudine Payne will be the program chair, while Tom Green, Ann Early, and Mary Beth Trubitt will handle local arrangements. SEAC was last in Little Rock in 1992. There are fine hotels to select from, including the Peabody and Doubletree. Margie asked for the sense of the board on proceeding with a meeting in Little Rock. Everyone agreed they should go forth with planning.

Boyce Driskol discussed the possibility of SEAC being held in Knoxville in 2007, and invited the conference to come. The Anthropology Department at the University of Tennessee will support the

program. Margie asked for the sense of the board on proceeding with a meeting in Knoxville. There will be appropriate hotel space at reasonable rates, of from \$99 to \$125. Everyone agreed they should go forth with planning.

Reports of Officers

Secretary David G. Anderson noted that the minutes of the 2003 mid year meeting at the SAA's in Milwaukee were published in the Fall 2003 Newsletter. The minutes were submitted via email to the board in draft form for review; if there are any additional changes needed in the published version, that can be corrected next meeting, please let me know. The election results were as follows: John Blitz prevailed in the race for Executive Officer I, running against Sarah Sherwood and Heather Lapham. Keith Stephenson was elected treasurer running unopposed. In all, 235 ballots were received, a modest increase over last years 225 votes, and the ca. 200 we have received over the preceding few years. As I was at Shiloh for a third season, I owe a debt of thanks to Adam King for handling the mailing. President Scarry asked for a motion to accept the secretary's report and the minutes of the Fall 2001 meetings. The secretary's report and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer Adam King provided a written report which appears separately in this Newsletter. SEAC did very well financially this year. The dues increase starts in 2004. Membership has been dropping over the past two years. The drop has been in students and institutions. Life memberships went up, student membership stays the same. Jane Ann Blakeney Bailey noted that having a student reception helps attract student membership, as does talking up the reasons for being a member among students. Putting a dues notice in each newsletter would help. President Scarry asked for a motion to accept the treasurer's report. The secretary's report and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Editor Lynne Sullivan submitted a written report which appears elsewhere in this Newsletter. The journal is in good shape as far as articles are concerned. We have an adequate number of papers, but people should continue to submit. Ad revenues are a source of income. UT Press wants a standing ad, preferably on the back cover. So hit up presses and other organizations for ads. We need to look into getting the press set up costs down; it is through Allen Press bow. Renee noted she is nagging for reviews, and has a list of available books for review. A style for graphics needs to be adopted, and will be posted on the web..

Jane Eastman noted that the newsletter was mailed the first week in October.

Eugene Futato said that his sales for the year were \$649.26. He recommended putting the publication sales list on the web.

Rob Moon reported on the website. Netfirms.com is handling the webpage. Some 8000 visitors have logged in since starting with the company in April. A list of the publications and articles should also be posted on the web. We need to look into the possibility of paying on line, and get back at the spring meeting. Jane Ann Blakeney Bailey asked that the link to the student web site be put on the main page.

Reports of Standing Committees

Nominations

Richard Jefferies (chair) presented the report, on behalf of his committee, which included Ken Sassaman and Sissel Schroeder. Dick said new blood was a good idea for Executive Office positions, who could provide a basis for leadership down the line.

Student Affairs Committee

Jane Ann Blakeney Bailey (chair) asked that the student reception continue. Pamela Johnson (chair elect) and Jan Myer, from Alabama, and Jamie Wagonner from Florida will be the committee. She also asked that SEAC possibly consider having a student member on the executive board. There will be a student workshop and sponsored session.

Student Paper Competition and Book Prize

Renee reported that there was a winner to the student paper contest, by unanimous choice.

Investment and Finance Committee

President Scarry recommended we circulate committee recommendations by email.

Report of the Native American Liaison Committee

John O'Hear presented a history of the Native American Liaison Committee, which is being reconstituted. Bret Riggs and Kent Riley are taking over the committee. Brett suggested we should enlist THPOs for guidance on outreach to native communities. Margie is asking that Brett and Kent prepare a report for the mid-year meeting on how the committee should be redirected. Gayle Fritz will serve as the board liaison.

Lifetime Achievement Award

The first awards will be presented at the business meeting. Jeff Mitchem will accept on behalf of John Hahn, and John Scarry will make the presentation on behalf of SEAC, with Chester DePratter making the presentation to Stan on behalf of SEAC. The committee consisted of Greg Waselkov (chair for the first award), Ann Early, and David G. Anderson. Greg will rotate off, Ann Early will take on the committee chair's chair, and David Anderson will stay on. Margie will try to find a third person to continue. Claudine Payne went through old SEAC newsletters, and found a list of past recipients of SEAC awards. A Distinguished Service Award was created in 1992 and five were awarded (Steven Williams, James Griffin, William Haag, Madeline Kneberg, and Bettye Broyles). Prior to that a number of unusual or special awards were made, such as to Stu Neitzel in 1977.

Old Business

John O'Hear moved and Claudine Payne seconded a motion to allow ads in the program/bulletin.

The recommendations of the Public Outreach Committee prepared by Mary Kwas and Rita Elliott were disseminated by email. Can these be circulated and approved by the board by email? Margie asked whether we should we amend the bylaws to allow email votes? There was a sense that it would be fine. Eugene suggested that the process could be streamlined, and perhaps the amount of the grant possibly increased, and Margie said she would look into that with the committee. David Anderson moved and John O'Hear seconded a motion that the Public Outreach committee be authorized to move ahead with issuing a grant for the 2004 meeting/year, and that they may move the deadlines back as needed. E expenditure of up to \$1000 for this grant is authorized.

Adam King presented a report on a contract from the Copyright Clearance Center for electronic access for *Southeastern Archaeology*. A contract with Academic Permissions Service. Adam King moved that we charge 5 cents per page for the four different services, and John O'Hear seconded the motion. The motion was approved with one abstention.

Posting of job announcements on our SEAC web site was discussed. There are already outlets for job listing. President Scarry said that since these outlets exist, our policy of having links to these sites should continue.

Claudine Payne reviewed the Newsletters and has other lists besides distinguished service awards, such as Student Paper awards, venues, officers, etc., chairs, etc. President Scarry these should be posted on the web.

New Business

Janet Levy proposed a number of recommendations to assist in planning the meeting. She recommended a two role rule. I talked about the SAA three role rule, described it, and suggested that some such rule be adopted. The other option was to go to longer meetings. John O'Hear said he doesn't want to do anything restrict attendance. Will this make a difference? A motion was made by Adam King, and seconded by Claudine that a two role rule be adopted at future SEAC meetings (presenter, poster, or discussant/any combination). The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting manual needs to be updated. Adam King is working on an update based on the 1998 meeting. Adam will spearhead a committee to work on this.

Poster Competition? Should one be formally instituted for next year? Give this some thought for the spring meeting.

The agenda for Friday's business meeting was briefly discussed. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

MINUTES OF THE 2003 SOUTHEASTERN ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE BUSINESS MEETING

After welcoming everyone to the 60th Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference, President C. Margaret Scarry called the annual business meeting to order at 6:05 pm, 14 November 2003, in the Hilton University Place, Charlotte, North Carolina.

*Welcome by Chancellor John Woodward of UNC-Charlotte.

Reports of Officers

President Scarry then turned to the reports of officers. David G. Anderson gave the Secretary's report, beginning by thanking the membership for the opportunity to serve the organization for the past three years, and to Claudine Payne for taking over the duties. Anderson noted that the minutes of the 2003 mid year meeting at the SAA's in Milwaukee were published in the Fall 2003 Newsletter, and asked if there were any additions and corrections of which none were noted by the members in attendance. The minutes, Anderson noted, are routinely submitted via email to the board and interested and requesting parties in draft form for review prior to publication. Anderson then presented the results of the elections. Since he was again digging at Mound A at Shiloh, for the third year in a row, the ballots were prepared by one of the other Executive Committee members, this time by treasurer Adam King, who has my sincere thanks. The ballots were sent to the Shiloh National Military Park, and counted there; no improper ballots were received, although the number caused interesting comments from park personnel, who wondered at my sudden popularity! In all, 235 ballots were received, a modest increase over last years 225 votes, and the ca. 200 we have received over the preceding few years. The election results were as follows: John Blitz prevailed in the race for Executive Officer I, running against Sarah Sherwood and Heather Lapham. Keith Stephenson was elected treasurer, by a landslide since he was running unopposed.

Treasurer (Adam King) We are financially solvent! Membership is declining, with the biggest decrease in student membership.

Investment and Finance (Paul Welch) The Life Fund was at 57k at the end of last year; it is now at 74k, a 30% increase. A surge in new life members (14) was responsibly for \$4550 of that, which when subtracted was still a 22% increase.

Report of the Editor (Lynne Sullivan)

Renee Walker noted that she had a list of books for review, and Jane Eastman encouraged people to submit items for current research.

Report on the Present Meeting (Janet Levy) 590-600 people were registered for the meeting, about 30% were students. She thanked previous meeting organizers Jay Johnson, John O'Hear, and Lynne Sullivan. She also thanked her co-organizers Alan May and Ann Tippitt. She thanked all the volunteers, and all the organizations that provided projectors.

SEAC/MAC 2004 (John Kelly) The meeting will be October 21st-23rd in St. Louis. St. Louis Marriott downtown. Announcement is already posted on the MAC website, and will soon be on the SEAC web site.

2005 Columbia (contract signed), 2006 Little Rock, 2007 Knoxville.

Resolutions

John O’Hear made the following resolution: Whereas V. Ann Tippitt, J. Alan May, and Janet Levy-- with the institutional support of the Schiele Museum, the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, the North Carolina archaeological Society, and the North Carolina Archaeological Council—have ably planned and executed the 60th annual meeting of the Southeastern archaeological Conference, and whereas they furthermore successfully solicited significant support for conference activities from twelve individuals and organizations as listed in SEAC Bulletin 46, and whereas the organizers have given us an annual meeting which is both intellectually stimulating and fun, be it resolved that the membership and Executive Board of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference extend heartfelt thanks to the organizers and their supporters for a job extremely well done.

Gayle Fritz made the following resolution: “Whereas Paul Welch has just completed a term as Executive Board member, and whereas he served at the same time as chair of the Student Paper Award committee; and whereas Paul also contributed his expertise as past SEAC Treasurer by serving on the Investments Committee, be it resolved that the members of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference are happy he couldn’t say ‘no’, and we commend Paul Welch for extraordinary, exemplary, and excellent service.”

Adam King made the following resolution: “Whereas David Anderson has been a long-standing member of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference whose commitment to the organization is unquestionable, and whereas he has served our organization as Secretary for three years bringing his usual good humor, knowledge, and drive to the Executive Board, therefore let it be resolved that the Southeastern Archaeological Conference owes a great debt of appreciation to David for his many years of service both on and off the Executive Board.”

Awards

SEAC Student Paper Competition () Mary Beth Trubitt and Ken Sassaman were the other two judges. John O’Hear read the names of the organizations contributing books and other valuables to the prize. This year the prize includes a hat, a pot, and some very nice notecards, and 254 volumes, for an estimated value of \$4374.11.

President Scarry invited Paul Welch to the podium to announce the winner of the 2002 SEAC Student Paper Competition. Paul started by acknowledging the other two judges, Mary Beth Trubitt and Ken Sassaman. But before noting who won, Paul introduced John O’Hear, who acknowledged the individuals and institutions that contributed to the award. This is the 12th year the prize has been offered, and it is regarded as a truly remarkable award. This year, the prize includes a Tamara Beane pot, a hat, “some very nice notecards” and 254 volumes with an estimated value of \$4374.11.

The following people and organizations are to be thanked for making it such an impressive honor: the University of Alabama Office of Archaeological Services, The University of Alabama Press, APVA/Jamestown Rediscovery, Arkansas Archeological Survey, Tamara Beane, Caddoan Archaeology, Central Mississippi Valley Archaeological Research Institute, Coastal Environments, Inc., Cobb Institute of Archaeology, Larry Conrad/Ancient Society Books, Eliot Werner Publications, Florida Bureau of Archaeological Research, Florida Museum of Natural History, University of Florida Institute of Paleoenvironmental Studies, University Press of Florida, the University of Georgia Department of Anthropology, Society for Georgia Archaeology, Robert Heath, Kentucky Archaeological Survey, Kentucky Heritage Council, University of Kentucky Program of Archaeological Research, University of Kentucky W. S. Webb Museum of Anthropology, Jim Lee, Louisiana Archaeological Society, Louisiana Division of Archeology, Louisiana State University Museum of Natural Science, McClung Museum University of Tennessee, Mississippi Division of Archives and History, Phyllis and Dan Morse/Morse Books, University of Nebraska Press, North Carolina Archaeological Council, Research Laboratories of Archaeology at the University of North Carolina, Michael J. O'Brien, the Ohio Historical Council, Oklahoma Archaeological Survey, Peabody Museum, Smithsonian Institution, Society of Bead Researchers, University of South Alabama, Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Southeast Archeological Center National Park Service, University of Tennessee Press, Tennessee Valley Authority, Virginia Department of Historic Resources. Margie thanked Judy Knight for contacting the various presses and coordinating the collection of books, and led the membership in a round of applause for all the contributors. Paul Welch then announced the results of the judging.

This year there were xxx papers submitted, that were listed in the meeting program. This year's winner is John Marcouse of UNC Chapel Hill, for "The Materialization of Social Structure... at Koger's Island." (extended applause)

C. B. Moore Award (T.R. Kidder)

T. R. Kidder was invited to the podium to present the 2003 C. B. Moore Award. T. R. announced it as follows: "The C.B. Moore Award for Excellence in archaeology by a distinguished younger scholar in Southeastern archaeology or associated studies" was established by Stephen Williams in 1990 to acknowledge and encourage excellence in scholarship on Southeastern Archaeology. Nominees are identified by former recipients and by associates of the Lower Mississippi Survey and that same group votes to select the winner. In recognition of his or her accomplishment, the winner gets to keep, for the following year, a replica of the Moundville Cat Pipe.

Broad latitude has always been given to the criteria for nomination and selection but the recipients of the C. B. Moore Award are recognized for their contributions to scholarship in Southeastern archaeology and for their service to the archaeological community. Every member of the Southeastern archaeological Conference can take pride in the accomplishments of the distinguished recipients of this award.

Beginning in 1990, the past winners are:

David Anderson 1990

Gayle Fritz 1991

Marvin Smith 1992

John House 1993

Ken Sassaman 1994

Tim Pauketat 1995

Joe Saunders 1996
Penelope Drooker 1997
John Worth 1998
Randy Daniel 1999
Cricket Kelly 2000
Rebecca Saunders 2001
Jane Eastman 2002

It is my pleasure to add Adam King to this roster of distinguished scholars as recipient of the 2003 C. B. Moore Award.

Adam King currently is an archaeologist at the Department of Energy's Savannah River Plant in South Carolina, where he administers an active program of site survey, testing, and large scale excavation.

Adam received his MA from the University of Georgia in 1991, and his PhD from Pennsylvania State University in 1996. Since receiving his degree, he has published extensively on the Etowah site, and these works have shed new light on the chronology and history of this important center and its role in the Mississippian world. His most recent book, *Etowah: The Political History of a Mississippian Capital* (University of Alabama Press, 2003) has already become the standard reference on the site's history, and has established Adam as one of the leading young scholars in the Southeast. In addition, Adam has also published a monograph on Mound B excavations in the University of Georgia Laboratory of Archaeology series, an overview of Etowah valley ceramics in *Early Georgia*, and a look at the sixteenth-century chiefdom of Itaba in Southeastern archaeology. He also has organized important symposia at SEAC and the SAA and recently co-edited a thematic section of *Southeastern Archaeology* on "Exploring the Edges of the Mississippian World." In addition to his productive scholarship, Adam is a fine professional citizen: he has served as SEAC program chair (Macon 2000), SEAC Treasurer, and editor of *Early Georgia*. Please join me once again in congratulating Adam on this well deserved recognition."

Lifetime Achievement Award

Margie Scarry reviewed the history of earlier awards the conference has made to its distinguished members, noting that these had, in the past, been made on an irregular basis. The SEAC Distinguished Service Award was created in 1992, and has been presented to Steven Williams, James Griffin, William Haag, Madeline Kneberg, and Bettye Broyles.

President Scarry noted that two awards will be made this year, to John Hahn and Stanley South. The first was made to John Hahn, who was unable to attend. John Scarry presented the award, with Jeff Mitchem accepting it on John's behalf. Jeff observed that "It has been my great pleasure and good fortune to have known and worked with John Hahn for over 20 years. While John is not an archaeologist (and would be the first to admit that he is not), he has contributed as much to our understanding of the native peoples of Florida and of the Spanish colonial era as any archaeologist. He has worked directly with archaeologists at the mission San Luis, giving those of us working in Florida clues and information he has gleaned from the historic documents, letting us ask questions and provide answers.

He has transcribed, translated, and interpreted vital Spanish colonial documents containing information on the native peoples of La Florida. He has written definitive works on the Apalachee,

Timucua, and Calusa and the peoples of central Florida. He has opened a window on the native peoples that allows us to see them in unprecedented detail and richness.

For his contribution to southeastern archaeology SEAC confers upon John Hahn its Lifetime Achievement Award.

Stanley A. South (Chester DePratter) Chester DePratter read the nomination letter he submitted to Greg Waselkov, the chair of the Lifetime Achievement Award Committee:

Dear Greg and Other Committee members,

I write to nominate Stanley South for the SEAC Lifetime Achievement Award. Stan has spent nearly half a century conducting archaeology in the Southeast, and I feel there is no one more deserving of this award.

Stan's fieldwork has been restricted to North Carolina and South Carolina (except for a single site in Maryland), but he has worked on many of the most important historical sites in these two states. He began working on prehistoric sites (he worked at Town Creek Indian mound in 1956-1958). Following that work, in a move that Joffre Coe said would bring an end to his career, Stan began working on historic sites. Stan worked at Brunswick Town and Fort Fisher in North Carolina before moving to South Carolina to work on the Charlestown Landing site as part of the state's tricentennial celebration. Once that project was completed, Stan moved on to other important sites including Ninty Six, Fort Johnson, and Fort Moultrie.

In 1979 Stan initiated work at Santa Elena (and the earlier French Charlesfort on the same site), and his work on that site continues to the present. Not content to restrict himself to a single field project, Stan has also worked on any number of smaller projects including the inventory of the Smith House attic in Roswell, Georgia, and excavations at the Bartlam pottery at Cain Hoy.

Stan has an outstanding publication record that includes hundreds of articles, reports, and books. His landmark 1977 volume, *Method and Theory in Historical Archaeology*, has played an important role in the development of the field of historical archaeology, and it has remained in print (with a lapse of only a few years) for 27 years. Not satisfied to rest on his laurels, Stan has recently published books on his work at Bethabara, North Carolina (1999) and Charlestown Landing (2002), and his method and theory book was reprinted in paperback (2002). At the present time, he is working on his autobiography with plans to have a draft completed by summer 2003. And I might add that [since this letter was submitted] that volume has been completed and is being considered by a publisher. Stan has always had an interest in facilitating not only his own publications, but those of others. As a result, he founded the Conference on Historic Site Archaeology with its resulting conference papers series (1960 to 1980), and he has published and distributed two other series including Volumes in Historical archaeology (1984-2003) and Historical Archaeology in Latin America (1994-1996).

His many honors and awards include an Honorary Doctor of Humanities from the University of South Carolina (1997), the Order of the Palmetto from the state of South Carolina (1999), the J. C. Harrington Medal from the Society for Historical Archaeology (1987), the Robert L. Stephenson Lifetime Achievement Award from the Archaeological Society of South Carolina (1993), and the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Appalachian State University (1979). In my opinion, Stan is a worthy recipient for each of these awards, and his dedication to the field makes him worthy of the SEAC Lifetime Achievement Award.

Stan is now 75 years old, and he still works every weekday and most weekends days. He has no plans to retire. He feels that he still has many books to write, and I know that he will continue to

work at archaeology for many years to come.

I wholeheartedly recommend Stanley South for the SEAC Lifetime Achievement Award. There can be no candidate more deserving. It would be especially fitting for him to receive this award in North Carolina, his home state, where his career in archaeology began 48 years ago.

Thank you for your consideration of this nomination.

Chester concluded by saying “”It is both an honor and a privilege to have played a role in my friend and colleague Stanley South’s receiving this well-deserved award.

Stan came to the podium and regaled the audience for about ten minutes with tales of early SEAC meetings, taken from his recently completed autobiography.

President Scarry urged the membership to consider future candidates for this award, and to submit their nominations to the nominating committee chair, Ann Early..

New Business

Ian asked if there was a problem with an October meeting Paul Welch said no problem.

Announcements

- Dance - 9:00 PM - 1200 AM

President Scarry thanked the Executive Board, and everyone for their help. She then adjourned the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
David G. Anderson, SEAC Secretary

SEAC Editor's Report.

Lynne P. Sullivan

Shortly after the beginning of the New Year, several large boxes arrived at my office, all with postmarks from Mobile. Numerous messages with attachments also found their way to my email box. Greg Waselkov had cleaned out his office and sent me all the piles of paper and electronic files necessary for setting up my office as the editorial office for *Southeastern Archaeology*. Included in these “files and piles” were enough papers for the Summer 2003 issue and then some. Since January, another 29 papers have arrived, ready for the rigors of the peer review process. At this point, the journal looks to be in good shape in terms of fodder for publishing, but the submissions need to keep rolling in so the supply will keep meeting the demand.

The Summer 2003 issue, which you all should have received by now, contains 134 pages, including 7 articles (one a specially-solicited anniversary article), 12 book reviews (thanks to Renee Walker’s excellent efforts), and for the first time, three full-page ads from university presses. The ads are very good development not only because they alert our readers to new books, but because the fees help offset some of the journal costs, especially the addition of a professional copy editor (Karin Kaufman) to the editorial team. A major part of her unenviable job is not only to try to keep a bunch

of archaeologists in style, but a *consistent* style throughout the journal. For those of you who don't know—the Society for American Archaeology has revised the style guide (it is no longer just for *American Antiquity*) and it is available on line. I believe the link is now listed on the SEAC web site on the publications page. If you are submitting an article, please do consult this guide. We also are working on a style sheet and guidelines for artwork and photos for *Southeastern Archaeology* that soon will be available on the web page.

The Winter issue is in production, and contains seven articles and seven reviews. We can look forward to learning about Cahokia shamans, new findings at Jaketown, the status of archaeology in Florida, Apalachee geometry and architecture, corn-eating Mississippian dogs, and more musing on pottery typologies in the Mississippi Valley.

There is not yet a large enough sample for my term as editor to give credible statistics on the acceptance rate for papers submitted to *SEA*. But, by far the most common review is “revise and resubmit.” As Greg noted in his section of the editor's reminisces, southeastern archaeologists hate to think that anything is totally unredeemable, or, I would add, that anything is perfect. Nonetheless, papers do sometimes get totally rejected, and on equally rare occasions, some even get accepted without revision.

I should also mention that the change in the color of the cover of *Southeastern Archaeology* to [what is supposed to be cranberry NOT Crimson Tide] red, is, we hope, a partial fulfillment of Jim Knight's dream to have the SEAC logo [that appears on the cover—and which he drew] done up in red.

Finally, I want to thank Greg Waselkov for answering numerous questions, Renee Walker for her fine work on the book reviews, Jane Eastman for her continued excellent job on the newsletter, and Eugene Futato for his efficient and diligent work on sales, Annie Blankenship, graduate assistant at the McClung Museum, for keeping up with journal correspondence, and Rob Moon for being a great webmaster. And, last but not least, thanks to the reviewers, authors, and readers for making it possible for SEAC to have such a great publication program.
