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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

I hope this Newsletter finds that all have survived the summer; to some, a busy time for work and little play, and to others, a time for a vacation and a "Boy, I'm glad to be home" feeling.

But now its time to relax and enjoy friends that like some of the things that we like. So get your gear together and let's go to a eld school.

Field School will be held October 16, 17, and 18, Friday afternoon, all day Saturday, and Sunday morning. Friday or Saturday night might be a nice time for spinning tall tales around a fire with some of our old pit crew friends. And maybe some new friends also.

We hope to have many workshops to help refresh us in our work. Some of the workshops will cover mapping, surveying, lithic analysis, prehistoric and historic ceramic analysis, recording soil profiles, sampling methods, and hands-on pottery manufacture.

By now everyone should have received their Field School flyer in the mail. Please fill out the registration portion and return it to me as soon as possible. It's never too late to send

in your registration. Remember, the school will be held at the Kiwanis Club campground located off the Pineville Expressway in Pineville, Louisiana. For more information, you may contact me at (318) 640-9258.

So come join us for a fun-filled weekend. I hope to see many of you there.

Nancy Affeltranger  
L. A. S. President

## 1993 LOUISIANA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

The 1993 Louisiana Archaeological Society Annual Meeting will be held in Lafayette, Louisiana, and hosted by the USL Anthropology and Archaeology Society. It will be located at the Hotel Acadiana. A room rate of \$46.00 for up to four persons per room has been negotiated. The meeting dates are set for January 15, 16, and 17, 1993. Planned sessions will include contributed papers (20 minutes each), research papers (10 minutes each), and a possible symposium of invited papers on a particular topic. At least one session on historic archaeology is also planned. A book room will be available for sales and other displays. There will be a Cajun buffet banquet on Saturday evening, followed by a

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keynote speaker, and a band.

A pre-registration form and a hotel reservation form will be included in the next Newsletter. For more information on the hotel and/or other arrangements, contact:

USL Anthropology Society  
LAS Meeting  
Attention: Michell Hutchens  
Department of Sociology and Anthropology  
USL P.O. Box 40198  
Lafayette, Louisiana 70504-0198

An abstract form is included in this Newsletter for your convenience. Paper titles and abstracts are due November 15, 1992, so that a preliminary program can be mailed with the next Newsletter. The forms should be sent to Carl Kuttruff, 621 Albert Hart Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808. Any special requests for space for displays or audiovisual equipment needs for presentations should be submitted in writing with the abstracts.

### **MINUTES OF THE L. A. S. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

8425 Fairway Drive  
Pineville, Louisiana  
May 30, 1992

**Reported by  
Donita Burton  
L. A. S. Secretary**

The L. A. S. Executive Committee Meeting was held at the home of Nancy Affeltranger in Pineville, Louisiana. Members present were:

Nancy Affeltranger — President  
Linda Jackson — Vice-President  
David Jeane — Treasurer  
Donita Burton — Secretary  
Rich Weinstein — Newsletter Editor  
Donald Duncan — Northwest Chapter Representative  
Tommy Sayer — Central Chapter Representative  
Dennis Jones — Baton Rouge Chapter Representative

Dan Shipman — At-Large Representative

Lisa Coleman — Member, Lafayette  
Mimi Weinstein — Member, Baton Rouge Chapter

Nancy Affeltranger called the meeting to order.

Donita Burton read the minutes of the last Executive Committee Meeting. Linda Jackson made the motion to accept the minutes as read. Rich Weinstein seconded. Motion carried.

### **Reports**

David Jeane presented the treasury and membership reports. As of this date, there are 228 members, a drop of 85 members from the 1991 total of 313.

David had received a check for membership dues which was returned due to insufficient funds. The check was reissued and cleared. David has contacted the member concerning the unpaid insufficient check charge and is waiting for a response.

Rich Weinstein reported on the Newsletter. The next Newsletter is scheduled to go out in September. Rich requested that Chapter Representatives send in a list of their officers along with addresses and phone numbers. Any chapter news is always appreciated; meeting dates, times of meetings, guest speakers, etc.

A dues reminder will be sent out in the next Newsletter. Rich will take into consideration a suggestion made by Donita that perhaps using a brightly colored flyer for the dues printout would be an added visual reminder. This technique may be incorporated into the last Newsletter.

Nancy presented Bob Neuman's L. A. S. Bulletin report. There are two bulletins in progress, the 1988 L. A. S. Bulletin is ready to be printed and the 1989 L. A. S. Bulletin is in the final editing stages.

In the past we have used the USL facilities to print the bulletin due to lower



printing costs. The USL press is in ill repair, and this will elevate the printing costs approximately \$1,000 to use another facility. The reparation of the USL press is scheduled to take place within a few months. Bob contacted Nancy with the aforementioned information and suggested that it may be worth our while to have the bulletin printed elsewhere.

Linda Jackson made the motion that the Committee appoint Rich Weinstein, as Assistant Editor, to contact Bob, research the situation, and make decisions concerning the time element involved in the reparation of the USL press. If the period of time necessary for repairs is less than two months, we will wait and have the bulletin printed at USL. If longer, we will use another facility at the added cost.

Donald Duncan seconded. Motion carried. [Editor's note: As it turned out, USL utilized another printing press that it has on campus, rather than the old press on which previous L. A. S. Bulletins had been printed, for the same cost as the old Bulletins. Thus, it was not necessary to go to a different press.]

Dennis Jones reported that due to a misunderstanding in the job description of Assistant Editor, articles collected by Wiley Parsons are waiting for acceptance by Bulletin Editor, Bob Neuman.

After a lengthy discussion, the major concern seemed to be the problems incurred with the solicitation and recruitment of articles for the Bulletin. It was suggested that the Committee stipulate in writing how to more quickly address the backlog of Bulletins. A letter would be sent to Bob with these concerns.

Rich made the motion that the L. A. S. Executive Committee send a letter to Bob Neuman, L. A. S. Bulletin Editor, requesting that he accept for publication in the L. A. S. Bulletin those articles collected and sent out for review by Wiley Parsons. The Committee unanimously agreed that the action taken by Wiley was done only with the good of the Society in mind.

The letter would also encourage Bob to:

1. Actively and consistently solicit articles for printing.
2. Solicit papers given by individuals at the Annual Meeting over the past few years.
3. Approach individuals with relevant articles that have been presented at other archaeological conferences.
4. Spend more time researching grant reports at the Division of Archaeology.
5. Be prepared to actively respond to the needs of the society as Bulletin Editor.

Dennis Jones seconded. Motion carried.

Donita will send the letter to Nancy for her to sign as President of the Society. Copies will be sent to Committee members.

## Old Business

On January 18, 1991, the Executive Committee voted upon and approved a motion to give a copy of the L. A. S. 10th anniversary commemorative issue, L. A. S. Special Publication #2, to all new members as an added incentive to join the Society. These publications would be given out as long as the supply lasted.

Nancy reported that several new members had contacted her recently with the complaint of having not received their commemorative issues. A brief discussion brought to light a computer error at fault. The commemorative publications will be issued to those individuals who were incorrectly missed, and all other new members in chronological order, as long as the supply lasts.

The Executive Committee requested that the plaques to be presented to State Representative Dr. Francis Thompson and Coastal Environments, Inc., for their contributions to Louisiana archaeology be prepared by the next Committee meeting. David Jeane will handle the arrangements.

Nancy gave an update on the plans for the fall field school. This will be a three-day field school, which will be held on October 16,



17, and 18. The location of the school is the Kiwanis camp site in Pineville. The Kiwanis Club has two facilities on site which can be utilized for bunk housing and indoor seminars. Nancy is still in the process of contacting individuals to help staff the different areas of the field school.

David Jeane gave an update on the Brian Duhe saga. David was contacted by Mr. Blakeman, head of the parole office in St. John the Baptist Parish. David was informed by Mr. Blakeman that Duhe would send a money order to David as L. A. S. Treasurer, in the amount of \$170.00. This payment would continue monthly for 100 consecutive months.

The L. A. S. has not received a payment to date, per the last communication with Mr. Blakeman. David will try to contact Mr. Blakeman by phone or in writing, if necessary, to clarify the date that restitution will begin. David will also check on the legal consequences if Duhe breaks the terms of his probation.

Donita read the letter of expulsion from the L. A. S. that will be sent to Brian Duhe. Mr. Duhe has thirty days to respond to this notification.

Donita also read the letter of thanks that will be sent to Detective Sid Newman of the Baton Rouge Police Department for his help with the apprehension of Mr. Duhe.

David made the motion that we accept the letters as written and send the letter to Mr. Duhe by registered mail.

Dennis Jones seconded. Motion carried.

### **New Business**

The Executive Committee, having been informed of a legal matter concerning members of the Society, has decided not to take action at this time. If a response to these actions is required at a later date, the Committee will do so.

Rich reported that Jon Gibson and the students at USL will host the 1993 Annual Meeting in Lafayette. Lisa Coleman and Carl Kuttruff will be in charge of the arrangements. Rich reminded the Committee that anyone presenting a paper at the Annual Meeting must be a member of the L. A. S.

Lisa Coleman announced that the Annual Meeting dates are set for January 15, 16, and 17. The meeting will be held at the Hotel Acadiana in Lafayette. More information will be given at a later date.

Donita will send Lisa a copy of the guidelines for hosting the Annual Meeting.

David read a financial statement concerning the profits and expenses incurred by the Baton Rouge Chapter while hosting the 1992 Annual Meeting:

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| Funds received    | \$2,655.00 |
| Expenses incurred | \$2,473.36 |
| Balance           | \$191.36   |

The balance was turned over to the L. A. S. Treasury.

David also reported that there were 97 people who registered at the 1992 Annual Meeting.

Dennis Jones made an announcement on behalf of the Louisiana Archaeological Conservancy. A board of directors meeting will be held on June 16th at the Marksville site. A luncheon will be served after the meeting with a tour of the Tunica-Biloxi Museum and surrounding areas following. The luncheon and tour are open to all members of the Conservancy. The fee to join the Conservancy is \$10.00.

With no further business, Rich made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Donald Duncan. Motion carried.



**CADDO MOUND REPORT:  
7-8 MAY, 1992**

**By  
Claude McCrocklin  
Northwest Chapter**

**Introduction**

This is a brief narrative report on a two day test of a mound on the north shore of Wallace Lake in south Caddo Parish, Louisiana. The mound was found by *Adais Caddo Indians*, who invited Mr. Randlett Edmonds and members of his family visiting in Shreveport to look at the mound and give them his opinion. With the encouraging report of Mr. Edmonds stimulating an already keen interest to test the mound, I was contacted to supervise the test. Dr. Frank Schambach of the Arkansas Archeological Survey was the professional advisor for the project.

**The Test**

The test consisted of two 2-meter squares put down in the center of the mound and three 1-meter tests of the mound slope. The tests were to the 20-30 cm level where most artifacts were found. Only the tests in the mound center had artifacts. This is due to the mound sides being eroded, and to surface collecting in the past. A 1.5-meter deep shovel test was made to check the stratigraphy, or lack of it. Although the test was inconclusive, it did reveal that the mound was made of fine, light colored sand not common to the area.

**Present Condition**

The mound is 39 meters E-W and 34 meters N-S. It is 1.5 meters high. The mound is badly eroded from seasonal flooding since the lake dam was built some forty years ago. I estimate that its original height was 2 to 3 feet higher.

**Test Artifacts**

Prehistoric Caddo potsherds dating to A.D. 1200 to 1400, lithic material, and animal bone.

**Early Historic Component**

Metal detector scans turned up one large caliber musket ball shot flattened on one side, and a Civil War-era Enfield rifle minié ball. This area was not tested.

**Crew**

Six Adais Caddo who did the test, Louisiana Archaeological Society, Northwest Chapter, volunteers that helped, and the landowner, who gave permission to test.

**Summary**

The Caddo potsherds and other material confirm the site as prehistoric Caddo II. Whether or not the Caddo II people built the mound, and what it was used for, will require more testing to confirm. We stopped our test when enough material was found to verify the site. A detailed report on the site was filled out by crew chief *Evy La Borde* and mailed to the Division of Archaeology in Baton Rouge. Thus the site was permanently recorded as *16 CD 214*.

**Comment**

What historic significance there is to modern Caddo Indians finding, testing and reporting a prehistoric Caddo site is yet to be decided. To my knowledge this is the first time anywhere that this has happened. The Adais are proud of their contribution to Caddo archaeology, and they appreciate the assistance received while doing it.

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES ON THE  
PPG CHLORINE PIPELINE**

**By  
Rick Reeves  
Levingston Engineers**

[Editor's note: This article was written in the fall of 1991 and was designed to familiarize PPG personnel with archaeology and archaeological techniques prior to excavations conducted by the Imperial Calcasieu Chapter of the L. A. S. It was given to Donita Burton, L. A. S. Secretary, who kindly passed it on to



me. I have decided to include it in the Newsletter, as it gives us a brief glimpse of a site excavated in early 1992 by the Imperial Calcasieu Chapter, and also illustrates the cooperation provided by PPG. A more detailed report on the subsequent activities of the Imperial Calcasieu Chapter should be available in the future.]

In July of 1990, engineering was underway to run a chlorine pipeline from PPG to Kronos. Kronos was building a titanium dioxide pigments plant on the Calcasieu Ship Channel approximately three miles southwest of PPG. The proposed pipeline route indicated that the right of way could pass near potential Indian archaeological sites on Bayou D'Inde. I suggested to Carl Spelbrink, PPG's project engineer, that an archaeological survey might be warranted. Carl investigated the matter and PPG hired Dr. Malcolm Shuman from LSU to perform the survey.

On July 26 and 27, 1990, Dr. Shuman and his daughter, accompanied by PPG field engineer Bill Managan, conducted a survey of the entire three-mile route from PPG to Kronos. Test digs were made every 100 feet along the 15,000 foot right of way. When the survey reached an area several hundred yards west of Porter Hall on the north bank of Bayou D'Inde, a sizeable shell midden was encountered. A midden is basically an archaeological trash heap.

This midden rises about 10 feet above the present level of the bayou. The midden is comprised almost entirely of the shells of *Rangia cuneata*, a brackish water clam. Aboriginal peoples inhabited the site and consumed these clams in such large quantities that their garbage dumps contain hundreds of cubic feet of clam shells.

Historically, shell midden camp sites are believed to have first appeared around 6000 B.C., when the Pleistocene ice age had ended. Glacial melt brought the oceans up to their present level by about 3000 B.C. Stream gradients were decreased and meanders and deltas formed. The new coastlines and stream edges were ideal for allowing exploitation of the *Rangia* clam as a food source. Semi-nomadic hunters and gatherers occupied such

areas at least seasonally and sometimes throughout the year.

It would be a mistake to assume from the sheer volume of clam shells in these middens that the clam was the main source of food for these people. It takes approximately 540 clams to yield one pound of wet meat. It takes approximately 25,000 clams (12 cubic feet of shells) to provide the nutritional equivalent of 50 pounds of deer meat, the main food source during this period. Nutritionally, the *Rangia* clam is low in protein, fats, carbohydrates, and calories when compared to other food sources. Nevertheless, clams were persistently exploited because they were numerous, easily procured, and provided a reliable continuous supply of food.

Carbon dated sites in Louisiana show that by at least 2000 B.C. sites such as this one were occupied by people who hunted, fished, and gathered a varied supply of food. The period from 2000 B.C. to the present is called the "Neo Indian" era. Because of the large amount of calcium carbonate from clam shells in these middens, the bones of many animals and even human remains are well preserved. The remains of raccoon, dog, bear, otter, fox, ocelot, muskrat, opossum, gar, choupique, sunfish, catfish, turtle, birds, and various other animals have been found in midden sites such as this one. Plant remains include hickory nuts, acorns, plums, grapes, and persimmons. Bottle gourds and squash also appear, and indicate the first signs of agriculture in the coastal zone around 300 B.C.

Hunting was done by using nets, snares, bolas, and atlatls. The atlatl is a hooked, counter-weighted throwing stick used to hurl short spears at high velocity. Fishing was done with traps, nets, gigs, and hook and line.

The first signs of pottery in Louisiana were found in midden sites. Pottery seems to have appeared about 2500 years ago. The pottery sherds found in the upper level of this particular site are poorly tempered and fired. The site is undated at present, however. A supervised archaeological dig at this site would probably reveal animal bones, pottery,



a few stone tools, stone and animal projectile points, and perhaps a few human burials.

PPG should be congratulated for being a good corporate citizen by undertaking the archaeological survey and then avoiding the site after it was discovered. Rather than trench through the midden site and bayou, PPG elected to directionally drill under both. The directional drill will be approximately 1300 feet long and will be about 40 feet below the midden. Credit goes to Carl Spelbrink for the many hours of planning that went into the job for the pipeline, as well as arranging for the archaeological survey to be done. Bill Managan assisted the survey team during two hot, muggy, bug-infested July days. Ford, Bacon, and Davis was responsible for the detail survey.

## **CHAPTER NEWS**

### **Northeast Chapter**

**Reported by  
Claire Davis  
and  
David Jones**

The May meeting was held on the 28th of the month and featured a presentation by Dr. Joe Saunders, Northeast Louisiana Area Archaeologist. Dr. Saunders discussed his upcoming work at the Scott Place Mounds (16 UN 4). He has been given permission to work on the same site where Clarence B. Moore uncovered a hearth full of charcoal five feet below the surface. Dr. Saunders hopes to locate a similar hearth on the site and recover charcoal suitable for carbon-14 dating. He also plans to excavate 5 to 10 test units (50 by 50 cm) in areas of the site away from the mounds. Dr. Saunders explained his needs for the project, and James Harty agreed to help map the site and help write the site report.

Dr. Saunders also presented a program on the basic concepts and skills needed in archaeology. He discussed how to read a topographic map, fill out a site form, make a field map of a site, and label artifacts.

The June chapter meeting was held on the 18th of the month. Again, Dr. Saunders

was the principal speaker, as most of the session was devoted to organization of the upcoming field work at the Scott Place Mounds. Dr. Saunders also noted that he will be teaching a continuing education course on Louisiana Archaeology at NLU this fall.

The chapter met on July 23rd to discuss participation in the mound excavations being conducted by Dr. Saunders. Topics included equipment required, food to bring, types of clothing to wear, etc.

### **Central Chapter**

**Reported by  
Charli Bravinder**

The Central Chapter hasn't experienced a dig for some time, yet we have had some great times at our monthly meetings as we listened to several known speakers from this state. Among them were Fran Guchereau, who, on the spur of the moment, gave a very interesting slide presentation on her trip to Central America to visit the Maya; Marie Standifer, sharing her *Apios* (groundnuts); Joe Saunders, who showed slides concerning a site he had worked on; and Betty Pendley, who talked about Louisiana archaeological history.

When scheduled speakers couldn't make it, Ellis Denning helped us out twice, and was prepared both times for a slide presentation. The first one was on the old Fullerton Mill site, and the second was on early man. David Jeane was the speaker for September, and was inspirational to all who attended. David showed slides and discussed the annual dig in Arkansas. This writer and others of the Central Chapter are making plans to go next year.

Scheduled for the October meeting is Thurston Hahn from Coastal Environments, Inc., while Alan Dorian has kindly agreed to talk to our group in November. The December meeting is set aside to discuss plans for the upcoming year, possibly including a dig, and to party, party, party!

The Central Chapter is this year's host to an archaeological field school at the Kiwanis campground in Pineville, and our President, Nancy Affeltranger, has been working diligently on this all year. We hope



you will attend and support it by bringing a friend.

## **Baton Rouge Chapter**

### **Reported by Dennis Jones**

The Baton Rouge Chapter hosted the state meeting of the L. A. S. at the Sheraton Hotel on January 17, 18, and 19. Dennis Jones was program chairman, Carl Kuttruff organized the facilities, and Rich Weinstein was in charge of complaints. The program consisted of many very interesting papers and was highlighted by a Saturday night banquet and keynote address by Dr. Vincas Steponaitis of the University of North Carolina.

The February meeting saw the election of Dennis Jones as chapter president, and the continuation of Rich Weinstein as chapter treasurer. The February program consisted of a video presentation from the Odyssey series entitled "Myths of the Moundbuilders."

Since March, the Baton Rouge Chapter has had monthly programs and speakers on archaeology and anthropology. To date the speakers have been:

March — Mary Manhein, LSU Department of Geography and Anthropology: "A Girl Named Alice: The Witch of Zachary, Louisiana." This paper was about Mary's excavation of a historical grave in Zachary and the stories that had grown up about the person buried there.

April — Dr. Heather McKillop, a Mayan archaeologist from the Department of Geography and Anthropology at LSU, gave a presentation about her work on an island site near the coast of Belize, and its implications in prehistoric coastal trade.

May — Dr. Susan Wurtzburg, Regional Archaeologist with the Louisiana Division of Archaeology, gave a presentation entitled "Historic Archaeology at the Old Kornmeyer Building." She described work at a site in downtown Baton Rouge that was conducted as part of her research as Regional Archaeologist.

June — Barbara Lewis, with a Master's degree from the LSU Department of Geography and Anthropology, gave a talk entitled "Eloquent Bones: A Case in Point. Patholo-

gies and Perspective of the Tchefuncte Site (16 ST 1) Skeletal Collection." Barbara showed interesting slides that presented evidence of nutrition and pathologies from remains that were excavated about 50 years ago by WPA archaeological work.

July — Dr. Malcolm Shuman of the Louisiana Geological Survey gave a slide presentation about artifacts at the Kleinpeter site (16 EBR 5) that were recovered during an archaeological project at the site in 1990. These artifacts indicated occupation from late Tchefuncte times around 250 B.C. to the late eighteenth century.

August — Dr. David Kelley of Coastal Environments, Inc., was scheduled to give a presentation entitled "Recent Excavations at Two Late Caddo Farmsteads in Bossier Parish, Louisiana." Unfortunately, Hurricane Andrew spoke louder than David, and his talk had to be postponed until later this year.

September — As part of the 1992 Archaeology Week program, Dr. T. R. Kidder of Tulane University will give a presentation entitled "From Tribe to Chief in the Lower Mississippi Valley."

All meetings of the Baton Rouge Chapter are at the Goodwood Library at 771<sup>1</sup> Goodwood Boulevard on the last Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm. L. A. S. members from other chapters or anyone interested in archaeology are invited to attend. Other programs and activities are planned for the remainder of 1992 and into '93.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Beads**

Beads is an annual journal, published by the Society of Bead Researchers, devoted to the publication of scholarly articles on bead research. Contents of the two volumes presently available include:

#### **Volume 1 (1989)**

- Diakhité: A Study of the Beads from an 18th-19th-Century Burial Site in Senegal, West Africa, by Marie-José and Howard Oppen
- Beads of the Early Islamic Period by Peter Francis, Jr.



- Beads as Chronological Indicators in West African Archaeology: A Reexamination, by Christopher DeCorse
- Beads of St. Eustatius, Netherlands Antilles, by Karlis Karklins and Norman F. Barka
- Bohemian Glass Beadmaking: Translation and Discussion of a 1913 German Technical Article, by Lester A. Ross with Barbara Pflanz

#### Volume 2 (1990)

- Observations and Problems in Researching the Contemporary Glass-Bead Industry of Northern China, by Roderick Sprague and An Jiayao
- Beadmaking in Islam: The African Trade and the Rise of Hebron, by Peter Francis, Jr.
- Trade Beads from Hudson's Bay Company Fort Vancouver (1829-1860), Vancouver, Washington, by Lester A. Ross
- Dominique Bussolin on the Glass-Bead Industry of Murano and Venice (1847), by Karlis Karklins with Carol F. Adams
- Perforated Prehistoric Ornaments of Curaçao and Bonaire, Netherlands Antilles, by Jay B. Haviser

The journal is available at the single issue price of \$14.50 (US funds) prepaid with check payable to the Society of Bead Researchers. Orders should be sent to:

Karlis Karklins, SBR Editor  
802-2850 Cedarwood Drive  
Ottawa, Ontario K1V 8Y4  
Canada

#### Participate in Archeology

The director of the National Park Service, James Ridenour, announced the availability of a new brochure entitled "Participate in Archeology." The brochure aims to provide the public with better access to archaeological information.

The brochure provides an overview of available opportunities for learning about archaeology — videos, journals, and books that

offer detailed information about archaeological topics and issues. The brochure also presents opportunities to become involved in archaeological fieldwork.

The Archeological Assistance Division of the National Park Service produced the brochure in cooperation with the Public Awareness Working Group, an inter-agency organization whose goal is to improve public awareness of Federal archaeology. The agencies contributing to the production of this brochure are the Department of Defense, the Bureau of Reclamation, the Bureau of Land Management, the US Forest Service, and the Federal Highway Administration.

Copies of "Participate in Archeology" are available free by writing:

Publications Specialist  
Archeological Assistance Division  
National Park Service  
P.O. Box 37127  
Washington, D.C. 20013-7127

#### Hidden Heritage: Historical Archaeology of the Overseas Chinese

Baywood Publishing Company, Inc., announces the release of its new book entitled *Hidden Heritage: Historical Archaeology of the Overseas Chinese*, by Priscilla Wegars. The book is a must for those archaeologists specializing in Chinese American history, and should prove extremely useful to other historical archaeologists and scholars of Asian American studies.

Beginning in the mid-nineteenth century large numbers of people from mainland China emigrated to the United States and other countries seeking employment. Termed "overseas Chinese," they made lasting contributions to the development of early communities, an impact which has only begun to be recognized in recent years. "Chinatowns," rural mining claims, work camps for railroad and other construction activities, salmon canneries and shrimp camps, laundries, stores, cook shacks, cemeteries, and temples are only some of the sites where traces of their presence can be found. In recent years, numerous archaeological and historical investigations of the overseas Chinese have taken place, and



*Hidden Heritage* presents the results of those studies.

Topics range from urban sites in several states, to structures and garden terraces in wild and scenic parts of Idaho, and include mining, artifacts, foodways, cannery workers, and women, as well as some comparative material from New Zealand. The closing chapter summarizes the method and theory to date.

This collection of chapters provides a forum for current research results and ideas on overseas Chinese archaeology. It makes available in written form a large body of history, method, interpretation, and artifact analysis previously unavailable with the exception of oral presentations.

The publication is cloth bound, measures 6 by 9 inches, and is approximately 400 pages long. It can be obtained by sending \$44.95, plus \$2.50 postage and handling to:

Baywood Publishing Company, Inc.  
26 Austin Avenue  
Amityville, New York 11701

or order by calling  
(800) 638-7919

1987 AND 1988 L. A. S.  
BULLETINS  
NOW AVAILABLE

Two issues of *Louisiana Archaeology* have recently been published: Volume 14 (for 1987) and Volume 15 (1988). The first volume was distributed initially at the Annual Meeting in January in Baton Rouge, and was mailed out subsequently to those 1987 members who did not attend the meeting.

The second volume has just come from the printers and should be mailed out within the next few days. If you were a member of the L. A. S. for 1987 and have not received Volume 14, please contact David Jeane, L. A. S. Treasurer, at 305 Hickory, Springhill, Louisiana 71075. Similarly, if you were an L. A. S. member in 1988 and do not receive Volume 15 within the next month or so, please contact David. David has the master list of members, by year, and should be able to de-

termine why you have not received either Bulletin.

For those of you who were not members in either 1987 or 1988, the two volumes may be purchased for \$15.00 each by using the order form at the end of this Newsletter. Volume 14 is entitled "Island in the Past: Archaeological Excavations at the Francis Thompson Site, Madison Parish, Louisiana," by Jon L. Gibson, while Volume 15 is entitled "Archaeological Investigations at the LSU Campus Mounds," and includes articles by Robert W. Neuman and Jeffrey A. Homburg.

