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FROM THE PRESIDENT

I would like to welcome Maureen Downey, the newly elected Secretary of the L. A. S., to our Executive Committee. Maureen was elected at the 1995 L. A. S. General Business Meeting at the Annual Meeting in Natchitoches. The Executive Committee will be appointing a new Bulletin Editor at its April 22 meeting.

Congratulations to the folks in Natchitoches for a wonderful Annual Meeting! Thanks particularly to Jeff Girard, Kass Byrd, Pete Gregory, and Susan Dollar for planning it. Everything seemed to have gone smoothly, and there were some interesting presentations.

The trip to the Yucatán was fabulous! Our itinerary was flawless, and our guide was fantastic! I don't believe any of us will ever forget the energy, the conscientiousness, and the thoroughness of Victor Gonzalez. He was so impressed that we, as archaeologists, were interested in all of the details at the various sites. And he did have some details for us! Much credit goes to Joe and Betty Miller for making it all happen. Gracias, Amigos!

On the bus trip to the airport on our last day in the Yucatán we discussed the idea that a trip be offered to the L. A. S. membership as an annual event. We considered trips to Chaco Canyon in the Southwest or maybe the Hopewell/Adena area in Ohio as our next

venture—and maybe Belize for the year after next. What do you think? Where would you like to go? Is this a good idea? Your input is most welcome. This is for everyone.

Linda Jackson
L. A. S. President

1989 AND 1990 L. A. S. BULLETINS

Bulletin Nos. 16 and 17 of *Louisiana Archaeology*, for 1989 and 1990, respectively, have recently been published and mailed to 1989 and 1990 members. If you were a member in 1989 and did not receive Bulletin No. 16, please contact David Jeane, L. A. S. Treasurer. Likewise, if you were a member in 1990 and did not receive Bulletin No. 17, then you also need to contact David. Because of the six- and five-year differences between membership payment and actual bulletin publication, the L. A. S. recognizes that some names may have inadvertently been left off the two mailing lists. We apologize for any problems this may have caused our members.

In a similar light, the L. A. S. does not have current addresses for several 1989 members, and their bulletins either could not be mailed out or were returned by the postal service. If your name appears below, please contact Rich Weinstein, Newsletter Editor, to receive your copy of the 1989 bulletin. Like-

wise, if you know the whereabouts of any of the individuals listed below, the L. A. S. would greatly appreciate it if you could either notify that individual or Rich Weinstein.

Jeanne Abney
James R. Adams
Vernon Bradford
Mark Guilbeau
Ben T. Johnson, Jr.
Ray L. Moses
Rachel Power
Robert A. Smith
Jeanne Baker Zavada

RENEW YOUR 1995 L. A. S. MEMBERSHIP

Once again, this issue of the Newsletter is being sent to all 1994 and 1995 members. However, if you have not renewed your membership for 1995, this will be the last issue you will receive. Similarly, you will not receive the 1995 Bulletin when it is published. So, please check the address label on this issue. If it still says "1994" then you need to pay your dues now.

CHAPTER DISPLAYS

John Polk, of the Delta Chapter, suggested at the recent L. A. S. Annual Business Meeting in Natchitoches that, as a means to increase membership in the society, each chapter could develop displays of past and future chapter activities. These displays then could be placed in local libraries or schools to help attract attention to the L. A. S. This idea was supported by society members at the annual meeting, and Linda Jackson, L. A. S. President, suggested placing an announcement to that effect in the L. A. S. Newsletter. If anyone has any suggestions regarding this idea, or has any other ideas that might help attract new members, please contact Linda.

AMOCO DONATION

Amoco Production Company has generously donated \$500.00 to the L. A. S. in appreciation of the society's president, Linda Jackson, for her work within the New Orleans community. The check was presented to David Jeane, L. A. S. Treasurer, at the General Business Meeting in Natchitoches (Figure 1). Over the years, Amoco has consistently supported the L. A. S. with significant donations either to the state society or the Delta Chapter. Thanks again, Amoco!

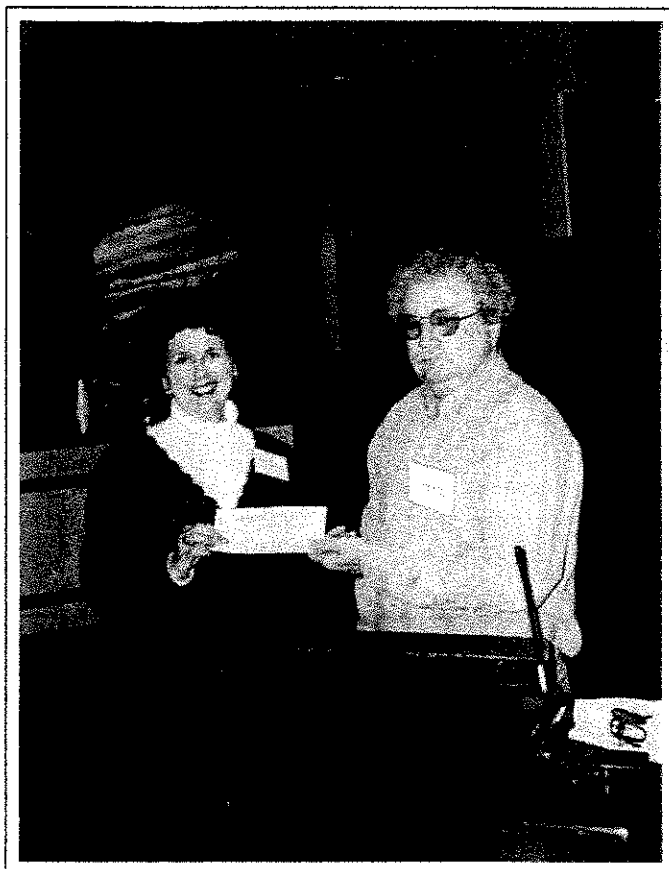


Figure 1. Linda Jackson, L. A. S. President, presents David Jeane, L. A. S. Treasurer, with a check for \$500.00 from the Amoco Production Company.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I read the article by the National Park Service in the Winter, 1994, Newsletter with mixed emotions. Certainly every honest citizen should be outraged at the tale of the Florida gang that bulldozed and backhoed mounds. But what was their punishment? The article says they "were sentenced." Ten days suspended sentence, or fifty years in the salt mines?

In stark contrast is the slyly deceptive report on Art Gerber, who was fined \$4,750 plus \$5,000, plus a year in the Federal Penitentiary. I have followed this case quite closely, and can tell you what the Park Service concealed in their "news" report, which was actually a propaganda whitewash of this travesty of justice.

General Electric Company contracted for a County access road to one of its plants in Indiana. In accordance with good practice, they filed an environmental impact statement prepared by professional archaeologists from the state university. The Indiana University surveyed the site, and declared there were no archaeological resources in danger of being disturbed by the project. The Park Service now calls this "one of the five largest Hopewell burial mounds known."

When the roadway was bulldozed and graded, workmen started finding artifacts. Word filtered out to dozens of local collectors. A heavy equipment operator made a collection and offered to show Gerber the site after working hours. It was in this employee's company that Gerber "trespassed" on the carpet of graded soil. How many archaeologists have stopped to look at a road cut or construction project without permission? Subsequently, Gerber returned to the site and attempted to purchase finds from workmen in order to keep the artifacts together as a collection. Were it not for his efforts, no record of what the "mound" (?) contained would now exist.

Gerber generously shared his collection with professional archaeologists. This was his big mistake. One of them asked to

make casts of some pieces and Gerber, naively, gave his permission. The casts went to a professional meeting in Florida which was being picketed by Indian radicals. They became enraged at the sight of the casts, and learned the originals were in Gerber's possessions.

The radicals complained to the Justice Department that Gerber had desecrated the graves of their ancestors. There was no evidence of any "graves" until *years* later. Let's pass over the fact that no one knows who, if anyone, is descended from the Hopewell people. The Washington bureaucracy launched a crusade to enhance their own power over our lives. They found Gerber was a poor man, unable to hire high-powered legal counsel. Washington smelled an easy kill.

In point of fact, Gerber was *never* charged with trespass by General Electric, the landowner. Gerber was charged with violation of the Federal ARPA statute, which very specifically applies only to Federal lands and Indian reservations. So far as is known, Gerber has never been on either type of land. To add sting to their charges, the Federals made each bead a separate violation of the law, thus multiplying the fines to the point where Gerber faced over one million dollars in fines and ten years in prison. Although vehicular seizure was *not* part of the law at the time of Gerber's supposed violation, the Justice Department seized Gerber's two second-hand vehicles on the basis of a *subsequent* law. Finally, Gerber was set up before an "activist" judge who could be depended on to yield to pressure from Washington. When Gerber appealed, he was sent to the notorious leftist, Judge Posner.

Because the Supreme Court declined to hear Gerber's case, we have all lost to the bureaucracy. "Ask not for whom the bell tolls, it tolls for thee."

By legal precedent, the ARPA law now does not mean what Congress said it meant; it has been judicially rewritten to apply to *all* land. In the communist doctrine, there is no such thing as private property, and this is what Clinton's bureaucrats are enforcing. This is the same way the EPA perverted private prop-

erty to "wetlands." You and I can no longer throw a shovel of gravel on our driveway, even if we live in the Mojave Desert, because the EPA can toss us in prison for destroying "wetlands."

There is much more at stake in the Gerber case than collecting a handful of artifacts from a graded roadway. You owe the readers of the LAS Newsletter some explanation or apology for publishing the National Park Service version of the affair. I don't believe it was even intended that the Newsletter should be a propaganda mouthpiece for the over-reaching bureaucrats in Washington.

You may publish part or all of this letter if you wish.

Sincerely,
Willard P. Leutze
Lafayette, Louisiana

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

**Northwestern State University
Student Union Building
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Friday, February 3, 1995**

**Reported by
Maureen Downey
L. A. S. Secretary**

The L. A. S. Executive Committee Meeting was held in the Student Union Building on the campus of Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, Louisiana. Members present were:

Linda Jackson — L. A. S. President,
Delta Chapter
James Fogleman — L. A. S. Vice-
President/President Elect, Morrow
David Jeane — L. A. S. Treasurer,
Springhill
Rich Weinstein — L. A. S. Newsletter
Editor, Baton Rouge Chapter
Robert Neuman — L. A. S. Bulletin
Editor, Natchitoches

Jon Gibson, L. A. S. Interim Bulletin
Editor, Lafayette
Maureen Downey — L. A. S. Secre-
tary, Delta Chapter
Ray Fredlund — L. A. S. Archival
Committee Chairman, Baton Rouge
Chapter
John Guy — L. A. S. At-Large Repre-
sentative, Anacoco
Dan Shipman — L. A. S. At-Large
Representative, Delta Chapter
Nancy Affeltranger — L. A. S. Past
President, Central Chapter
Michelle Hutchins — Acadiana Chapter
Representative
Bettie Pendley — Delta Chapter
Marjorie Friedman — Delta Chapter
Newt Jackson — Delta Chapter

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Linda Jackson. She announced that Donita Burton was unable to continue as secretary and that Donita had moved that Maureen Downey be nominated to replace her. The motion was seconded by Dan Shipman. Maureen Downey was elected as new L. A. S. Secretary and authorized to take the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting.

Linda Jackson announced that Emily Vincent, 1982-'83 L. A. S. Treasurer and L. A. S. life member, died this past Tuesday. She will be missed.

Reports

Linda Jackson called for any corrections or objections to the last minutes as published in the newsletter. The minutes were accepted as published.

Treasurer David Jeane submitted the 1994 Treasurer's Report. Linda Jackson appointed Newt Jackson, Maureen Downey and Bob Neuman to review the financial reports as per the L. A. S. by-laws. David Jeane provided packets containing the reports to be checked and the committee will report back to Linda. David reported that there was \$15,868.00 in the treasury at the beginning of the year. There were \$6,009.00 of income and \$9,367.00 of expenses for the year, leaving a balance of \$2551.00 in the checking ac-

count and total assets of \$12,510.00. (See Treasurer's Report on page 6 in this issue of the newsletter.) Three bulletins (Nos. 16, 17, and 20) were paid for this year for a total of \$6,000.00. It was questioned whether there was any income from the 1993 field school since there were expenses for the field school listed on the report, but no income. David explained that there was a total of \$2,380.00 of income from the 1993 field school with \$700.00 in expenses paid in 1993 which left \$2,100.00 of income. The \$2,100.00 was retained in the checking account in anticipation of 1993 field school expenses of approximately \$977.00 to be paid in 1994.

The procedure regarding ISF checks received by the L. A. S. was questioned and David replied that his procedure was to immediately send notification and request that any bank charges be paid by the person submitting the ISF check. He said that, of the two recent ISF checks received by the L. A. S., the first person did not respond and the last check was received very recently. It was suggested that if people did not respond they should not receive membership and David replied that at this point they did not.

Dan Shipman asked about the status of the Brian Duhe payments owed to the L. A. S. David Jeane reported that Brian Duhe had made seven payments and missed five in 1994, but that he had made the first payment for 1995. His remaining balance due is \$13,600.00. David has again written Duhe's parole officer requesting a schedule for missed payments but has received no reply. [Editor's note: Since the Executive Committee Meeting, David Jeane has received \$1,700.00 from Brian Duhe, bringing Mr. Duhe up to date on all of his 1994 payments.]

Linda Jackson congratulated David Jeane on reconciling the accounts from the 1993 Annual Meeting. David stated that there was still a small problem remaining with some expenses but other than that, it was completed.

Regarding the Treasurer's Report, Linda Jackson has been informed that the proper language is to thank the treasurer for

the report, which she did.

The Membership Report also was given by David Jeane. Membership for 1994 was 303, down three from 1993. Unfortunately, however, since the compilation of the official report, the membership has decreased to 300 because of deaths. Linda thanked David for his report. (See Membership Report on page 7 in this issue of the newsletter.)

Rich Weinstein gave the Newsletter Report. He reported that there were three issues published in 1994 for a total expenditure of \$1,204.16. He encouraged members to send in articles. Photos would be welcomed. Information can also be submitted to him on computer disks (any format or language). The next newsletter should be out in May. Articles for the May newsletter should be submitted in April. The following newsletter will be issued in August.

Rich also reported that he had mailed out the 1989 bulletins approximately two weeks previous and suggested that an announcement be made at the General Business Meeting asking anyone who was a member in 1989 and did not receive the bulletin to please notify him. He no longer has recent addresses for some 1989 members and would appreciate any information anyone may have.

Bob Neuman reported that bulletins for 1989 (No. 16) and 1993 (No. 20) had been published in 1993 and Numbers 17 (for 1990) and 18 (for 1991) will be published this year. That leaves only the 1994 bulletin (No. 21) to be completed. Bob has been L. A. S. Bulletin Editor for ten years and has been responsible for the publication of ten bulletins.

Discussion was held concerning who will become Bulletin Editor after Jon Gibson completes his six months as Interim Editor. Becky Saunders and T. R. Kidder have both been discussed. T. R. Kidder has enthusiastically agreed to be considered for the position and Becky Saunders is to be formally asked if she would like to be considered. Jon Gibson outlined what he considered to be some qualifications for the position in regard to the present printers at USL. The present printers will be available for only three more years, so

LOUISIANA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY
1994 FINANCIAL STATEMENT
JANUARY 17, 1995

Period covered by this report - 1/14/94 thru 1/17/95

ACCOUNT REPORTS JANUARY 14, 1994

Louisiana Archaeological Society Savings "A"...	5,675.00
Louisiana Archaeological Society Savings "B"...	3,795.00
Checking Account Balance.....	6,315.00
Petty Cash.....	83.00

<u>TOTAL ASSETS - 1/14/94</u>	15,868.00
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1994 TRANSACTIONS

INCOME

Membership Fees and Publication Sales.....	3,589.00
Checking Account Interest.....	146.00
USL Anthropology Club (Annual meeting).....	65.00
Delta Chapter (Annual meeting).....	500.00
Brian Duhe Payments.....	1,360.00
Savings Account Interest.....	349.00

<u>TOTAL 1994 INCOME</u>	6,009.00
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EXPENSES

Treasurer Expenses(printing,phone,postage).....	306.00
Secretary Expenses.....	69.00
Newsletter Expenses(printing,postage,etc.).....	1,461.00
ISF Check.....	14.00
Society of American Archaeology.....	30.00
USL Print Shop (Bulletins 16,17 and 20).....	6,000.00
1993 Field School.....	977.00
Bank Service Charge.....	10.00
1995 Annual Meeting Advance(NSU Foundation)....	500.00

<u>TOTAL 1994 EXPENSES</u>	9,367.00
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1994 INCOME.....	6,009.00
1994 EXPENSES.....	9,367.00

BALANCE IN CHECKING ACCOUNT 1/17/95.....	2,551.00
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TOTAL ASSETS LOUISIANA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY - 1/17/95

LAS SAVINGS "A".....	5,879.00
LAS SAVINGS "B".....	3,940.00
CHECKING ACCOUNT.....	2,551.00
PETTY CASH ON HAND.....	140.00

<u>TOTAL</u>	12,510.00
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Account Information

SAVINGS

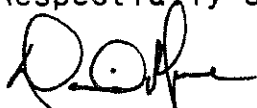
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Louisiana Archaeological Society - Citizens Bank and
Trust Company, Springhill, La. 71075 - 12 Month
Certificate matures 4/08/95. (3.63% interest)

2) LAS "B" - Certificate of Deposit #5016697
Louisiana Archaeological Society - Citizens Bank and
Trust Company, Springhill, La. 71075 - 12 Month
Certificate matures 7/10/95. (4.17% interest)

CHECKING

Louisiana Archaeological Society - Account # 005-338-4
Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Springhill, La. 71075
Money Market Interest account

Respectfully submitted,



David R. Jeane
Treasurer
Louisiana Archaeological Society
February 3, 1995

LOUISIANA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

1994 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

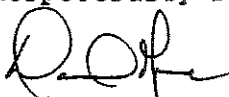
JANUARY 29, 1995

REGULAR MEMBERS.....	177
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.....	23
STUDENT MEMBERS.....	14
INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS.....	20
SUSTAINING MEMBERS.....	2
LIFE MEMBERS.....	67

TOTAL 1994 MEMBERS	<u>303</u>
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Total membership for 1988 was 251
Total membership for 1989 was 328
Total membership for 1990 was 315
Total membership for 1991 was 313
Total membership for 1992 was 291
Total membership for 1993 was 306

Respectfully submitted,



David R. Jeane, Treasurer
February 3, 1995

the new editor may wish or need to consider other options. Linda will announce at the business meeting that the new Bulletin Editor will be appointed at the April Executive Committee Meeting. She will welcome any input from the membership.

Articles for the bulletin dedicated to Dr. Bill Haag (No. 18, for 1991) should be in by the first of April and will then be reviewed by a committee. The articles will cover a wide range of topics.

Jim Fogelman reported that the Louisiana Archaeological Conservancy has contributed to many projects throughout the state, including radiocarbon dating at Poverty Point and work on servitudes for several sites in Louisiana. The Conservancy recently mailed out information on the work done at Marksville, and the report on the Kleinpeter site was recently published. In addition, the Conservancy has recently obtained some of the original negatives and plates used to print several of the the WPA-sponsored excavation reports published during the 1930s. The Conservancy is considering using these plates and negatives to reprint the reports. L. A. S. Treasurer David Jeane is the newest member of the Conservancy Board.

Ray Fredlund, Chairman of the Archival Committee, and Carl Kuttruff met with Dr. Donald LeMieux at the State Archives. Dr. LeMieux is very interested in the L. A. S. using their facilities. Only authorized persons will be able to remove material, but the material will be available for research by anyone. Procedures for obtaining permission still need to be defined. Type of material to be stored was discussed; for example, newsletters, bulletin, photographs, etc. Some materials have already been given to Ray for placement in the archives. Linda thanked Bob Neuman for recommending Dr. LeMieux. Ray Fredlund will be introduced at the business meeting and at that time will request material for the archives.

Old Business

Linda Jackson opened discussion on inactive chapters and student organizations. David Jeane checked the by-laws for chapter requirements. If there are at least 10 members

of a local organization who also are members of the L. A. S., then that organization can qualify as an L. A. S. chapter. All chapters should send representatives to the Executive Committee meetings. The Executive Committee should have names, addresses and telephone numbers for all officers, board members and representatives. Please send this information to the L. A. S. Secretary.

Michelle Hutchins from Lafayette requested that the Lafayette Chapter's name be changed to the Acadiana Chapter since their members are not just from Lafayette but from surrounding areas as well.

There was no field school progress report.

Dual membership (that is, making membership in the L. A. S. mandatory for all people who are members of a local chapter, but not requiring membership in a local chapter in order to be an L. A. S. member) was discussed, with many attendees offering objections. It was noted that Mississippi requires dual membership and that it works well for them.

Many chapters have perhaps misunderstood the L. A. S. speakers fee. The L. A. S. will reimburse individual chapters up to \$100.00 per year for any expenses they have incurred for any speakers, regardless of whether or not the speakers are members of the L. A. S. Speakers Bureau. The chapter should submit the expenses to David Jeane for reimbursement.

Rich Weinstein and David Jeane will collaborate to produce a new brochure for the L. A. S.

New Business

Linda Jackson announced that the Amoco Foundation has presented a grant of \$500.00 to the L. A. S. in her name, which she would like to have designated for publication of the bulletins. Nancy Affeltranger requested that the L. A. S. formally thank Amoco for their donation. The Secretary will write a letter to Amoco expressing the appreciation of the L. A. S.

David Jeane received a letter from the Shreveport/Bossier City Tourist and Convention Bureau expressing interest in having the 1996 Annual Meeting there. Linda will check with the Northwest Chapter to see if they would be interested in hosting the meeting. Nancy Affeltranger remarked that the Central Chapter would serve as host if Shreveport was not interested. Where the 1996 Annual Meeting is to be held will be discussed at the General Business Meeting.

The next Executive Committee Meeting will be at Percy Quinn State Park, Cabin 8, Saturday, April 22, 1995 at 11:00 a.m.

Linda asked if there was any other business. There was none, and Dan Shipman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by David Jeane. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE L. A. S. ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

**Northwestern State University
Kyser Hall
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Saturday, February 5, 1995**

The 1995 Annual Business Meeting was held at Kyser Hall, Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Linda Jackson.

Reports

The minutes from the last meeting were unavailable to be read, but had been published in the first newsletter for 1994 (Vol. 21, No. 1). Linda Jackson informed the membership that the Executive Committee had nominated Maureen Downey as L. A. S. Secretary to replace Donita Burton who has resigned. She called for nominations from the floor. Since there were none, she declared the nominations closed. David Jeane motioned that Maureen Downey be elected by unanimous vote. The motion was seconded by Jim Fogleman. Motion passed.

The 1994 Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer David Jeane. He informed the membership that the report, in its entirety, would be published in the next newsletter. He explained that the decrease of \$3,358.00 was because three bulletins were paid for during the past year. David Jeane reported that, at the Executive Committee Meeting held February 3, 1995, Linda Jackson had presented the L. A. S. with a \$500.00 grant from her employer, Amoco Production Company, as part of their employee Volunteer Program. Linda has asked that this \$500.00 be used in the publication of bulletins.

David Jeane gave the Membership Report. As noted in the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, the 1994 membership totaled 303.

The Newsletter Report was given by Newsletter Editor Richard Weinstein. He encouraged members to submit more articles. Because of the new printers, photographs can now be included. The cost of each issue of approximately 375 copies is between \$300.00 and \$350.00 dependent upon the size of the issue. The bulk mailing fee for 1994 was \$75.00. Three issues were mailed in 1994 for a total cost of \$1,204.16. The change in the printers not only gave the newsletter a new and better format but cost approximately \$300.00 less for the three issues.

Bulletin Editor Bob Neuman gave his final report as L. A. S. Bulletin Editor. He gave a short, departing speech in which he thanked all the people who helped him over the years. (The text of Bob's speech is included elsewhere in this issue of the newsletter.) He also gave his good wishes to the new bulletin editor. Bob has been L. A. S. Bulletin Editor for ten years and ten bulletins have been published. Linda Jackson thanked Bob for all his hard work as editor, and then presented him with a plaque commemorating his 10 years of service as L. A. S. Bulletin Editor. She noted that only one more bulletin needs to be published for the society to be up to date.

Linda Jackson introduced Ray Fredlund, who gave the Archival Committee Report. He, Jo Crosby and Carl Kuttruff comprise the Archival Committee. Ray thanked the

State Archivist, Dr. Donald LeMieux, for his enthusiastic aid in providing space at the State Archival building for the L. A. S. archives. Ray said that he has already received a lot of material, and he encouraged anyone having material that they believe should be included, to get it to him. The archives will be available to all L. A. S. members, although the method of authorization has not yet been completed.

Linda Jackson requested that anyone who was a member in 1989, or knew of anyone who was a member in 1989, and who did not receive the recent 1989 bulletin, to please notify David Jeane or Rich Weinstein.

Old Business

Linda Jackson clarified the function and procedure of the Speakers Bureau. It was created to help increase membership by helping chapters obtain speakers. The L. A. S. will reimburse each chapter up to \$100.00 per year for any expenses the chapter may incur for any speakers. These speakers do not have to be members of the Speakers Bureau. David Jeane requested that the chapters send documentation to him and he will reimburse them.

New Business

Linda Jackson asked for volunteers to host the 1996 Annual Meeting. John Holt, president of the Northwest Chapter, said that his chapter would like to host the 1996 Annual Meeting. They will set the date and then inform Rich Weinstein to announce it in the newsletter.

John Polk, Delta Chapter, suggested that, as a means to increase membership, each chapter could develop displays of past and future chapter activities that could be placed in such areas as their local libraries. Linda asked Rich Weinstein to place this suggestion in the next newsletter. Rich Weinstein and David Jeane are to rework the L. A. S. brochures which will then be available to the chapters to be included in the displays.

Central Chapter President Nancy Affeltranger gave her chapter report which in-

cluded new officers for 1995. She also reported that the Central Chapter recently set up an exhibit in a new museum in Pineville. Ellis Denning made the model of the plantation carriage house that was on display in the book and exhibit room. This is to be a future project for the Central Chapter and Nancy invited everyone to join them.

The Northwest Chapter report was given by Mary Brice who also gave their new officers. They presently have 36 members who meet at Centenary College. She reported that her chapter, too, developed an exhibit which they placed in a local bank. One interesting speaker that they recently had instructed them in the reading of topographical maps. She remarked that other chapters might consider such topics.

There were 119 people registered for the 1995 Annual Meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. by President Linda Jackson.

GOODBYE AND HELLO

**By
Robert W. Neuman
Cayuse Quarters
Natchitoches Parish**

This will be the last time I shall address the annual meeting of the L. A. S. as editor of the bulletin. As many of you know, I retired from Louisiana State University in 1994 and my resignation as bulletin editor will become final with the publication of the forthcoming bulletin on Poverty Point trade networks. At that time I shall have been editor for ten years and the society will have published ten bulletins. It has been an honor and an interesting tenure. I am well aware that there have been mistakes and errors and that the demon "errata" has raised its ugly head. For these sins I take full responsibility and offer my sincere apologies to our subscribers and those whose hard works were slighted. Lest the membership think, however, that editorial mistakes are peculiar only to our bulletin,

kindly allow me to recall for you that when the *Archeology of Eastern United States*, by James B. Griffin, was published by the University of Chicago Press, Griffin was no little jolted to find that the key word in the book had been spelled "archeology," when *An Introduction to Kansas Archeology*, by Waldo R. Wedel, was published by the Smithsonian Institution the pagination was in disorder, and, finally, just several years ago Rand MacNally published an atlas of the United States and Canada which omitted the states of Nebraska and South Dakota.

Turning to a more positive note, ten bulletins will have been published during my tenure as editor, a total of 1875 pages. Counting the forthcoming bulletin, there have been a total of 56 articles by as many authors. The articles addressed everything from Paleo-Indian to historic archaeology. In addition, there were thematic bulletins, technical articles on replication techniques, and articles on lithics. I am particularly pleased with the much needed new data published on the archaeology of historic Indian tribes of Louisiana.

During my editorship I have called upon a number of individuals to assist me in one matter or another, and I wish to acknowledge their kindness. First, my thanks to the authors of published articles and to the L. A. S. membership who waited so patiently for their bulletins to arrive in the mail. I appreciate also the assistance of the students and the staffs of the Louisiana State University museums of Geoscience and of Natural Science who aided in preparing the bulletins to be mailed. My thanks to Richard Weinstein and Coastal Environments, Inc., for handling that task for the most recent bulletins and to Tammy Bridges, of the Division of Archaeology, who for so many years has provided the membership mailing labels for the bulletin. The management and staff of the University of Southwestern Louisiana Printing Office have worked diligently and patiently with me. They have printed our bulletin since its origination, and we are more than fortunate to have their cooperation and skill. I also want to express my appreciation to the anonymous reviewers who took the time and interest to read and evaluate the manuscripts submitted for publication. Their knowledge and timely assistance were

invaluable. During the ten years of my editorship, I have been most fortunate to have the constant assistance and guidance of a colleague who has worked unselfishly in many ways for the L. A. S. since its inception. I'm referring, of course, to Jon L. Gibson. Thank you very much, Jon.

And finally, I want to express my gratitude to the membership for allowing me the honor of acting as bulletin editor for what I consider a strong and honorable organization. I wish to extend my best wishes to the future bulletin editors. I hope they will have a good store of fine-pointed, red ink pens, and may each editor be endowed with a thick skin.

Thank you.

VOICES FROM THE YUCATÁN

At the conclusion of the recent L. A. S. trip to the Yucatán, Linda Jackson asked those members who participated in the adventure (see group photo) to express their thoughts in a few brief phrases. The following responses, in no particular order, are the result:

It has long been a dream of ours to visit the ruins of the great Maya civilization, and we could not have had a better group of people with which to enjoy them. Our favorite place was Uxmal. The beautiful ancient temples and buildings seem to envelope you with magic and mystery—Maureen and Bill Downey

Planning—Professional.

Guide—Competent, friendly, genuine.

Accommodations—Excellent.

Food—Varied, adequate.

Highlights—Sound and light show at Uxmal, museum at Dzibilchaltún, group's congeniality.

I thoroughly enjoyed the week—Jack Moore

For the past sixteen years, I have harassed my husband about visiting the Yucatán, and had just about given up hope of ever getting there. I thought it was a cruel joke, however, when he said that we could go. All of my past dreams and expectations were



The L. A. S. tour group at Chichén Itzá in the Yucatán. Left to right, front row: Bill Downey, Maureen Downey, Victor Gonzalez (Guide), David Jeane, Mimi Weinstein, Jeanne Davis, Rich Weinstein. Back row, left to right: Julian Cranfill, Joan Bruder, Betty Miller, Joe Miller, Jack Moore, Lynn Loyola, Linda Jackson, Dan Shipman, Frank Schambach, Floyd Loyola.

met. This trip truly was a journey back through time to a world that existed over a thousand years ago. It is still hard to comprehend that such a brilliant, creative civilization thrived centuries before Columbus. What I enjoyed the most is difficult to select. The Temple of the Seven Dolls at Dzibilchaltún, the Ball Court at Chichén Itzá, and the caves of Loltún were my favorite places. Remember, I looked at everything not as an archaeologist, but as an elementary school science teacher. Just as I thought, my class later was fascinated with the tales about the ball court. The bloodier the better.

On the whole, the trip offered an opportunity to become acquainted with some old friends and to meet other equally fun and intriguing people. I'm ready for Tikal, Tulum, and Teotihuacán—Mimi Weinstein

It was pleasant to be among the peaceful Mayan families as they celebrated their carnival in Mérida. It was interesting to me because, as we visited Chichén Itzá later in the trip, we learned that their Mayan ancestors of A.D. 600 were apparently also a generally peaceful people. We could see this

displayed repeatedly in the architectural decoration used to adorn their temples. (It is interesting to note that the Toltecs, who invaded the Mayan area about A.D. 900, were, on the other hand, quite violent by nature—we could see this reflected in their temples, also built at Chichén Itzá.) It seems that the Mayans of today have, over time, retained many of their ancestors' cultural characteristics, even though their territory was invaded by the warlike Toltecs—Linda Jackson

The archaeological *Mardi Gras* week on the Yucatán was a unique experience, from parades to pyramids, and every day was different and exciting. A real shocker was comparing our 1980 slides of the various ruins with those of this trip—so much reconstruction has occurred, and the tiny bushes and trees have grown to provide comfortable shade for hot visitors.

Our group represented varied interests, so the questions asked were continuous. The answers provided by our patient, cheerful, and knowledgeable Mayan guide gave us a broad coverage of the Maya, their archeology, and culture—Betty and Joe Miller

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**FIVE FEDERAL OFFICIALS HONORED
BY THE SOCIETY FOR
AMERICAN ARCHAEOLOGY**

The Society for American Archaeology (SAA) recognized the outstanding work by employees of the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to protect the nation's archaeological treasures at a special ceremony in Washington, D.C. Jo Ann Harris, Assistant Attorney General of the Department of Justice, and SAA President Bruce Smith presented SAA's 1994 Public Service Award at the ceremony held at the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

In presenting the awards, Smith noted that the honorees had "established a standard for jurisprudence in the prosecution of cases of archaeological looting on public lands." Harris pointed out the "importance of federal laws that have given agencies tools providing an effective deterrent to further destruction of the precious archaeological record." Roger Kennedy, Director of the National Park Service, also joined Smith and Harris at the podium, remarking that the "nation's archaeological heritage provided an extraordinary window through which we can view the depth of human endeavor in North America."

Honored were James Beck, Special Agent with the FBI, and, from the Department of Justice: Deborah Daniels, former U.S. Attorney; Jeffrey Kent, Assistant U.S. Attorney; Larry Mackey, Assistant U.S. Attorney and Chief of the Criminal Division; and Scott Newman, former U.S. Attorney.

Kent wrote an appellate brief and argued for the United States in a case that has now clearly established the constitutionality of one of the most important federal laws establishing protections for archaeological sites: The Archeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA). Smith noted that the case, and especially the appellate decision, in *United States vs. Austin* (902 F.2d 743 (9th Cir.) cert. denied, 498 U.S. 874 (1990)), has significantly helped to establish ARPA as a truly viable tool for prosecutors.

Daniels, Mackey, Newman, and Beck all were instrumental in *United States vs. Gerber* (999 F.2d 1112 (7th Cir.), cert. denied, 114 S. Ct. 878 (1994)), another important precedent-setting case leading to the prosecution of five persons for trafficking in looted artifacts. This case, which involved looting on private lands owned by General Electric, marks the first application of provisions in the federal Archaeological Resources Protection Act forbidding interstate trafficking in archaeological resources removed in violation of state or local laws. The four honorees were commended not only for their diligence in prosecuting the "GE Mound" case, but also for their assistance in recovering more than 3,000 looted Hopewell culture artifacts and for their recognition that preserving the nation's archaeological heritage, and communicating that heritage to the public, are key strategies that help to discourage looting.

The SAA is an international organization dedicated to the research, interpretation, and protection of the archaeological heritage of the Americas. The society presents the Public Service Award each year to organizations or individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to the protection of archaeological resources.

CHAPTER NEWS Northeast Chapter

Reported by
Claire Davis

The January meeting of the Northeast Louisiana Archaeological Society (Northeast Chapter of the L. A. S.) was held on the 19th of the month at the Ouachita Parish Library in Monroe. A program demonstrating those resources available for the study of archaeology and related subjects was presented by the librarian.

The February meeting occurred on the 16th of the month in the Chemistry Building on the NLU campus in Monroe. Lourine Baff told of her contact with Indian craftspeople and efforts at reviving and continuing native arts. Lourine bought a bone knife and a mahogany, obsidian-tipped arrow. The maker of these artifacts was a former policeman who now makes a career of teaching tourists the ways of his tribe. Lourine also had blue corn bread for us to sample, as well as pop corn and Anastazi beans from Dove Cree, Colorado. Fred Hightower and Les Davis also talked about a fine collection of Paleo-Indian artifacts they had examined.

The March meeting took place on the 16th, also on the NLU campus. Joe Saunders presented a program on Evans points, one of the principal point types that can be associated with several of the Middle and Late Archaic mound sites now being investigated across parts of Louisiana. This program served as a follow-up to the symposium on Evans points presented at the L. A. S. annual meeting in Natchitoches.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

1995 Mid-South Archaeological Conference

The 16th annual Mid-South Archaeological Conference will be held June 3 and 4 (Saturday and Sunday), 1995, at the Old Capitol Museum, 100 South State Street, Jackson, Mississippi. The theme of this year's conference will be "The Archaeology of Exchange in the Mid-South." Papers concerning all facets of prehistoric, protohistoric, and historic trade are welcome. Papers dealing with prehistoric distribution networks are especially encouraged.

Lodging will be available at the Cabot Lodge on County Line Road off I-55. Room rates are \$64.00 per night. A suite of rooms will be reserved for Friday, June 2, and Satur-

day, June 3. Phone number for the hotel is 1-(800)-342-2268. A free continental breakfast is available at the hotel.

Anyone interested in giving a paper should submit a title and abstract to Evan Peacock, Mid-South Program Chair, 407 Myrtle Street, Starkville, Mississippi 39759, by May 1. Paper length should be 20 minutes. Participants and attendees are encouraged to bring artifacts and raw materials for hands-on viewing. Questions concerning paper presentations or special equipment needs should be addressed to Evan Peacock at (601) 285-3264 or (601) 325-3826. Questions concerning lodging, local attractions, restaurants, etc., should be addressed to Sam Brookes at (601) 965-5518. A map showing the location of the Old Capitol Museum and a restaurant guide will be available in the hotel lobby.

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