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IN AND AROUND CHICO NEWS

University enrollment is flourishing and may set an all time high soon. As in the past, space is now at a premium and the University must rent offices off campus to house all the new faculty. For the second time in three years our baseball team won the NCAA Division I National Championship! To support basketball and improve the scholarship base for athletes, the bleachers in Acker Gym have been converted to theater-style seats. Homecoming this year went forward but there was no football, no marching band, and a parade was cancelled for lack of interest.

Downtown businesses continue to come and go but good ol' Colliers Hardware is still the same as it was decades ago. The Senator Theater's leaning tower was deemed unsafe and had to be taken down. It is stored awaiting the day it again will be the city's "diamond" landmark on top of the theater building. Tinseltown, the 14-screen United Artist theater, just opened and is expected to transform the moribund North Valley Plaza Mall. Check it out and see if its seats are as comfy as those in Acker Gym. An In-&-Out Burger is coming to Chico and our ever-popular Burger Hut is opening its second eatery across town.

[KLJohnson]

IN AND AROUND DEPARTMENT NEWS

There have been a lot of changes in the department within the past few months. The department welcomed two NEW tenure-track faculty and one full-time temp. Drs. Stacy Schaefer (Cultural/Museology) and Antoinette (aka "Nette", Archaeology) Martinez joined our department.

Stacy Schaefer received her Ph.D in 1990 from UCLA, MA in Latin American Studies from Stanford, and BA from UC Santa Cruz in Anthropology and Latin American Studies. She was formerly with the U of Texas-Pan American. Her areas of specialization include Museum Studies, Latin American studies, and work with the Huichol Indians.

Nette Martinez is an alumni of CSU-Chico Anthropology receiving her BA in 1983. Her MA and Ph.D are from UC Berkeley. She taught for us part-time last year. Her specialties, in addition to archaeology, are native women in prehistory/history, culture contact studies, archaeofaunal analysis; Northern America and Canada.

Michael Reinschmidt was hired to assume Tom Johnson's classes this academic year. He was born and raised in Germany where he received his Ph.D. from George-August University in Gottingen. His previous employment was Research Associate with USC as an independent researcher of the Tarahumara Indians of Chihuahua. His areas of expertise include Native American ethnohistory and religion, sociolinguistics, theory, economic anthropology; Korea.

Tom Johnson decided to retire last spring. The department held a retirement dinner for him in May at his favorite Chico restaurant where he provided the wine. He and wife Kimie moved to Santa Rosa where he has started a vineyard, Obsidian Wines. Daughter Naomi got married in September. Tom's e-mail address is tjohnson@obsidianwines.com.

Last April at the annual meetings of the Society for California Archaeology "**Mark**" Kowta received their Lifetime Achievement Award. Several alumni attended as you will read further.

The CSU system has a new e-mail program, Microsoft Outlook. It is able to do many more functions and addresses are smaller, eliminating the letters "oavax".

Now for the not so good news.

We lost **Arthur Lehmann** who died September 18 at home after a two-year battle with cancer. He was 64. He had been on leave for three semesters. Art came to Chico in 1969. He was a former chair of the anthropology department from 1976-1985 and was geography department chair from 1988-1989. He had done research in Ghana, Central Africa Republic, Jamaica, and Morocco. He was the author, with fellow anthropologist James Myers of "Magic Witchcraft and

Religion" (5th edition is in the works) and taught classes by the same name. His specialties were Africa, hunters and gatherers, medical anthropology, and applied anthropology. He indeed left his legacy within the department and will truly be missed. The Arthur Lehmann Anthropology Scholarship has been established on campus.

Anthro major **Winfield Mowder** who completed the requirements for anthropology in Spring 1999 was murdered along with his partner in their home in Shasta County. He was 40. This has been classified as a hate crime. In his memory the department planted a tree early in the Fall 1999 semester. The tree is located just south of Butte Hall and can be seen from the department office. A re-entry student, Winfield was actively connected with the Associated Students' Re-Entry Center and was a role model for others struggling with major obstacles in life. Plans to memorialize him in an annual scholarship award are underway.

FACULTY NEWS

Claire Farrer (1985) During the summer of 1998 Claire taught at Colorado College in a program designed for teachers pursuing their masters degree. And she's been extremely busy writing and publishing since then. "Cultural Performances in the Southwest" was the title chosen by her and Dr. Victoria L. Levine, an ethnomusicologist, with whom she co-taught. Claire's biography was selected to be included in *Who's Who in the World*. She wrote two entries, "Myth" and "Cosmology", in a new two volume edition of Folklore: An Encyclopedia of Beliefs, Customs, Tales, Music and Art. The Journal of American Folklore carried her review essay of two CDs: "Creation's Journey: Native American Music, 1992-1993" and "Heartbeat: Voices of First Nations Women". After over five years, she relinquished the business management of The California Folklore Society, thereby cutting her mail by 3/4. In April 1999 Claire took her first trip to Scandinavia going to Stockholm and Lund, Sweden. The latter was the site of the 20th annual meeting of the American Indian Workshop, the professional organization for European scholars whose primary research interests are with Native Americans. At the meeting she presented a paper on prophecy entitled "The Anthropologist and the Shaman". Afterwards she took a short visit to Copenhagen before returning to Chico. Also last April Farrer was named one of the Master Teachers for 1999-2001 (following in the footsteps of Urbanowicz who held this honor for the past two years).

Keith Johnson (1963, FERP'd 1997) "KJ" begins his third year as a semi-retired professor and continues as director of the Museum. The successful museum exhibit "Hands on Butte County: History For Kids" has been held over for another year while Dr. Stacy Schaefer, newly appointed cultural/museum

faculty, becomes familiar with the academic and administrative aspects of the museum programs. With the assistance of local tribe representatives, Keith established the Native American Consultants Group to assist with the repatriation of the human skeletal remains curated at the university. Wife Karen enjoys caring for the grandchildren, writing journals for the various tours with Valene (Smith) (Germany and Northern Mexico), and editing the monthly newsletter for the Butte County Historical Society.

Bill Loker (1996) Bill went to Honduras in the summer of 1998 (during which Hurricane Mitch visited) and for a month this past summer. He had a great experience, lots of insights to share in and out of the classroom. He presented a paper and submitted an article to Human Organization on Honduras "stuff". He should be writing a book, but he feels he needs to analyze his data first ("how old fashioned!"). He received tenure and was promoted last year, which makes him very happy. Bill tells us that the department is great, students are kicking back and butt, and he is "happy to be here".

Turhon Murad (1972) Turhon, Jackie, Mark, and Todd are just fine. They were in Stockholm, Sweden the second week of December to see Turhon's oldest brother, Ferid, receive the Noble Prize in medicine for his work in the discovery of the physiological effects of nitric oxide on enhancing blood flow (it is why nitroglycerine is given to patients with severe angina). The Noble Committee and the Stockholm press were impressed by the size of the Murad Clan. In the history of the Noble awards ceremony it seems no laureate had as many as 50 people show-up to witness their receipt of the prize. Turhon and his brothers, all their children and in-laws, as well as several friends decided to make the award ceremony into an extended family reunion.

[Dr. Ferid Murad will speak on campus
November 11, 1999.]

Turhon has continued to consult for the CA DOJ as well as the US Dept. of Defense as a forensic anthropologist. In addition to Sweden, Jackie and Turhon were in Hawaii to visit the Army's CILHI lab for a week a year ago in July and last June. As luck would have it Turhon was asked to speak to investigators on Maui and because of a convention on Maui last June returned for a few days to speak on forensics. Turhon was on sabbatical leave during the 1999 spring semester which began by attending the AAFS meetings in Orlando. In addition to submitting some articles for publication, he worked to arrange further internships. When not traveling, Jackie continues to work at the Records Office on campus, Mark works here and there (most recently at Boreal Ski Resort in Truckee), and Todd continues to plug away in high school. Turhon and Jackie were in St. Louis the end of July to speak to an audience of death investigators gathered from around the world by the Department of Pathology at the University of St. Louis.

James Myers, (1964 -1994) Jim sends greetings from the great Northwest, where he continues to thrive in the gray skies, 70° summers, and the foghorns of Port Townsend, Washington. Jim and wife Lynn spent a wonderful three weeks in Holland, visiting son Carl in Den Jaag while devouring every Dutch pastry available. Jim saw a lot of Chico this year as he and Art Lehmann worked on the 5/ed. of their book *Magic, Witchcraft and Religion*. Jim writes, "Buy one for your mom."

Valene Smith (1967-1998) "Retirement?", writes Valene, "For some it may be the rocking chair but following the advice of Kate Smith (a pre-Martha Stewart guru): 'Better to sweat out than rust out'. . . it only means no papers to grade and no exams. Valene had an enjoyable week at the Williamsburg Congress of the International Anthropologist and Ethnological Science in July 1998 along with the able and willing support of C. Urbanowicz, K. Johnson, and M. Findlay. On the travel scene, she along with Keith and Karen Johnson had a great trip through Yellowstone last February, then another memorable one to Copper Canyon in Mexico in April, highlight of which was visiting Casas Grande (Paquime) which had just been added to the World Heritage List. She says, "Do remember to come and see us if you are coming to Chico. (Husband) Stan and I are always willing hosts for coffee or a beer on our lakeside terrace. But please call first, 530-891-1155."

Charlie Urbanowicz (1973) reports that he and Sadie still enjoy being grandparents of two wonderful children. Charlie is active in teaching, Web work, Darwin, and tourism research (so nothing really new). He served as an on-campus "consultant" to a variety of technology projects last year and found it very interesting. (If you are interested you can see his report at <http://www.csuchico.edu/~curban/1998-1999LPPFinRept.html>). Once again, he is attempting to weave "teaching and acting" together and performed in a Spring '99 campus production: Anton Chekhov's *Three Sisters*. Charlie is delighted to report his "memory gene" still works! Last summer Charlie had a chapter published in a Prentice-Hall volume entitled *Strategies in Teaching Anthropology*. If you hurry, he writes, you might be able to see the chapter on "the web" at <http://www.csuchico.edu/~curban/TeachingT.html>.

Charlie says this because PH may pull the web page after it is published. Incidentally, he published this labor of love for a pittance and you can see on the web page the wording from the contract: "For these rights, I accept the payment of two *gratis* copies of the volume as the sole compensation for the article." "We do what we do for love, not money!" In June '99 Charlie and Sadie took their first "Elderhostel" trip to Costa Rica (the anticipated trip to the Galápagos last year was cancelled), and in July were off to England (and the obligatory visit to Darwin's home) and then a cruise from London to St. Petersburg (and back).

Charlie keeps busy and is still thinking about the future.

P. Willey (1989) The work on the Seventh Cavalry trooper skeletons is winding down. His collaborated book (*They Died with Custer*) was released late last year and an article on the possible Custer bones ("Who's Buried in Custer's Grave?") was published last May. Currently several students and he are working on bones from the Civil War Battle of Wilson's Creek. His forensic work (cases, consultation, and committees) continue at an increased level of intensity and visibility. Wife Judy continues reconstruction of their 50-year-old house. The most recent accomplishments include tiling and plumbing a bathroom, and installing a sprinkler system in the backyard. Re-wiring the kitchen and landscaping the yard loom on the horizon. They still manage to get out for a hike most weekends. Last winter Judy and P. became proficient x-c skiers, and last fall they endured a long hike to a peak overlooking Deer Meadows. They hope to do more backpacking and camping in the near future, weather permitting.

STAFF

Trudy Waldroop (1980) All CSU system clerical staff received new titles (but no money) last spring. Her new title is Administrative Support Coordinator. Now that really tells a person what she does! She's so excited about her new oak office furniture delivered in June; desk, computer table, hutch, and vertical file cabinet. Gives more room in the office and a more professional look. For the past two years Trudy served as editor of the California State Association of Parliamentarians newsletter and now once again editor of Northern District Business and Professional Women's newsletter. For BPW's national convention in July she was in Rochester, NY for a week.

Greg White (1996) Last year Greg was extremely busy – serving as Arch Lab Tech, teaching, editor of the Society for California Society's newsletter and received over \$100,000 of activity in the area of grants from federal agencies. The coming year will involve a major increase in rate of contract activity. He conducted two arch field summer schools. Personal accomplishments include a PBSI (a merit raise) from the university and an "Excellence in Transportation" award from CalTrans for performance on a large archaeology project.

Jason Wiersema (1998) Continuing Physical Lab/Human ID Lab Tech. Phone 530-898-4029.

Alicia "Aly" Wood (July 1999) New Museum of Anthropology Curator. Phone 530-898-5397.

[Note: all four staff members have the same initial for their last name.]

NEW GRADUATES 1998-1999

BA

Fall 1998:

Alex Cousins, Eric McCracken, Denise Longueirn, Jeffery Partain, Denise Thomas, and Adrienne Wilson.

Spring 1999:

Joseph Anderson, Matthew Brickley, John D. Burge, Caryn Carlone, Nathan Chapot, Mari Conroy, Mario Eakes, Sally Evans, Polly Hamilton, Masayuki Kotani, Julie Lang, Julie Lenhardt, Rosie Martin, Stacy Montemayor, Winfield Mowder, Vanessa Parrilla [1998-99 Honor Student], Jereamiah Pemberton, Jennifer Parlett, David Pratt, Alice Precht, Miriam Roeder, Adam Romero, Margaret Trumbly, Elizabeth Widdel, and James Wylie.

MA

Fall 1998

Penni Van Ornum-Carmosino (archaeology) "Victorian Culture and Women at CA-BUT-1298H Forbestown, California"

Jarith Kraft (archaeology) "Gold Miners Living on the Fringes: A Historical Ethnographic Study, Butte, County, California" (617 pages)

Nancy Valente (archaeology) "Resource Intensification and Foraging Efficiency at the Patrick Site (CA-BUT-1)"

Spring 1999

Kuri Gill (Museum Studies) "Culture Specific Aesthetics in Exhibit Design"

Sara Keil (Museum Studies) "Senior Volunteer Motivation: A Case Study"

Amy Zelson (Physical) "Sexual Dimorphism in Finger Ridge Breadth Measurements"

ALUMNI NEWS

1960s

1968

Jerry Holland, Quincy, CA, jerryholland@thegrid.net, (BA) Jerry is the first charter school director in Plumas County. He has five "fine" sons and two "beautiful" daughters: a chiropractor in Honolulu, a teacher in Lodi, a marine biologist in Fiji, a rugby player in New Zealand, and a student in Quincy. Jerry says that he is ready to advertise for daughters-in-law as he "would like grandchildren before I return to dust."

Joanne M. Mack, Claremont, CA, joanne.m.mack.13@nd.edu, (attended post-graduate studies 1968-69, MA 1971 U. Wyoming, Ph.D. 1979 UOregon) Joanne is a professor and curator at the University of Notre Dame. She curated an exhibit for the Snite Museum of Art at Notre Dame entitled "Ways of Exhibiting Southwest Native American Art" last spring. Her field research for the Upper Klamath River project continued during the summer. One of her greatest pleasures/opportunities of this year was being a part of the presentation ceremony for the Life Achievement Award for Mark Kowta awarded by the Society for California Archaeology in April. "Way to go Mark!!"

1969

David E. Doyel, Scottsdale, AZ, ddoyel@doitnow.com (BA, MA 1972, Ph.D 1977 Arizona) Dave is a contract archaeologist with Archaeological Consultant Services. He reports that he finally finished a draft of his first novel titled "The Eagle Warrior", about Native Americans, lawyers, and, of course, archaeology, set in the Arizona desert.

Duane Julien, Glasgow, MT, djulien@mointanavision.net (BA, MA 1971) Duane is a high school teacher with the Frazer School District where he teaches math, Montana history, and computers. He has previously been employed as a consultant for archaeology work with governmental agencies. He has two daughters: April, 27, who graduated from Montana State U in 1994, and Brin, 22, who graduated from West Point in 1998.

1970s

1971

Barry Hewlett, Pilomath, OR, hewlett@vancouver.wsu.edu (BA, MA 1977) Barry is an Associate Professor at Washington State U. He took a field trip to Africa in August, "missed not having Art with me." He was

invited to lecture in Leipzig, Germany; Toyama and Kyoto, Japan; and Pavia, Italy. Publications include an article in Current Anthropology "Reproductive Interest and Forager Mobility"; a chapter in a book edited by Napoleon Chagnon "Parental investment among Aka foragers, Nganda farmers and Euroamerican urban industrialists"; and an article in Developmental Psychology "Infancy among Foragers and Farmers in Central Africa."

Lucy Sperlin Skjelstad, Corvallis, OR, lskj@dnc.net (BA, MA 1979) Lucy is currently the director of member travel-volunteer programs, community volunteer development, and national media coordinator for Project Vote Smart. She is a member of the City of Corvallis Heritage Preservation Commission, Vice President of the Boston Mill Society, and secretary-treasurer of the Martha Clark Keasey Foundation. She is a past board member of Western Museums Association, AAM, and AASLH. For 22 years Lucy has been active in Unitarian-Universalist leadership. She has 7 grandchildren and is looking forward to retiring soon to Chico "hopefully in the fall of 1999".

1972

Johnny Moore, Quincy, CA, sugarpine@thegrid.net [www.thegrid.net/sugarpine] (MA) By now you may have read his book I Must Fly! which are true tales from the heart that Johnny wanted to write about. This year he has another book out. He says that he did not intend to write Family Centennial. "It was snowing outside and my flying was done for the day. The old, yellowed manuscripts written by long-forgotten ancestors still waited on the shelves to be read. I sighed, and sat down with the first packet. A musty odor escaped from the manila envelope as I fished the sheets of paper out. The adventure began!" Johnny is a professional pilot with over 23,000 hours and owns and operates his aviation business (Sugarpine Aviators) in Quincy. He is also an Inspection Authorized Aircraft and Powerplant mechanic.

1974

John Nystrom, Fairhope, AL (BA) John has relocated from Durham, CA to Alabama, and he's traded his hammer for a fishing rod and loves both. He is also enjoying his three grandsons and their activities: band, baseball, and golf.

1976

Elaine C. Brown, Atlanta, Georgia, perezbro@nwf.net (BA, MA 1980, Ph.D. 1990 SUNY-Binghamton) This past year for Elaine has been one of community involvement in environmental issues in face of Atlanta's rapid growth. She is one of the leaders in her county wide effort to have the Board of Commissioners pass a

strict tree preservation ordinance. She recruited hundreds of citizens to make calls, sign petitions, attend meetings, and participate in a rally. They now have a tough law but the developers and builders as well as the county's administration and development department staff are fighting it tooth and nail. Elaine's group is fighting to keep the law intact. Elaine continues to work with local schools on nature gardening and answer gardening questions for the Cooperative Extension Service. She is also facilitating an environmental committee for her local civic club working with others to take a more proactive approach in face of rapid development in neighborhoods. Daughter Sierra is now five years old and loving life, especially her friends, secret garden, and playing with stuffed animals. Husband Carlos has traveled often, far, and wide for CARE in agriculture and natural resource work. They still manage vacations to Florida's panhandle and to northern California. All of them enjoy most "hanging out together" and gardening.

Mary (Williams) Maniery, m/maniery@aol.com (BA, CRM Certificate, MA 1980) Mary continues to stay active in historical archaeology and CRM. She is part-owner of an environmental planning firm with 20 (!) employees. She celebrated 17 years in business last March, "Who would have believed it?" It does get interesting Mary says juggling a growing business and all the school and sports activities that go with a 3rd and 7th grader, plus husband, cats, house. . . "yikes." She says that she had the good fortune to be at the recent SCA banquet to witness Dr. Kowta receiving the society's Lifetime Achievement Award. "He was wonderful! No one deserves it more!"

1980s

1980

Mike Pendleton, Bryan, TX, smeola@acs.tamu.edu, (MA; Ph.D. Texas A&M 1993) Mike is employed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture in immunocytochemistry with electron microscope. He published an article, "Ultrastructural localization of unique neurosecretory granules in the corpora cardiaca of the stable fly and tsetse fly", in 1999 Journal of Morphology 240:155-168. He gave a poster in New Orleans in June concerning the use of laser cytometry to determine the kinetic analysis of insecticide on mammalian and insect cell line at the Congress on In Vitro Biology. Mike is developing equipment to aid in the transport of live plant material into the United States so that soil may be removed from the plants and the plants suffer as little damage as possible. Wife Bonnie and he are still using the '55 Nash for weekend trips.

1981

Bonnie B. (Williams) Pendleton, Bryan, TX, b-pendleton@tamu.edu (MA) Bonnie is

employed full-time with the Department of Entomology at Texas A&M University. Last spring, she co-taught 16 seniors and graduate students in the Field Crop Insects class. She co-authored 8 journal articles, a chapter in a "Sorghum" monograph, and the Agricultural Extension Service Bulletin "Managing Insect and Mite Pests of Texas Sorghum." Her department is completing a Sorghum Insect Pest Management site on the Internet. They received a grant from the Texas Department of Agriculture and met with federal EPA officials, TDA personnel, agricultural consultants, and farmers to develop methodology to assess the impact of integrated pest management in Texas. Currently being voted on by the Texas Legislature is an initiative they developed to make sorghum the keystone of an integrated agricultural production system for Texas. Bonnie was invited to speak in March at the University of Florida Entomology Departmental seminar series. Five news reporters and cameramen from Fox News Network and three local news sources participated in her seminar and cooking demonstration on "Insects as Human Food." All but one reporter tasted her cooking and agreed that insects are nutritious and delicious.

1982

Will Shapiro, Sacramento, shapirowill@pacificlegacy.com (BA, MA 1990) See Lisa Shapiro 1987. > > > > >

1984

Michael Findlay, Paradise, (MA, Ph.D. 1992 U. of Oregon) Mike is a full-time instructor at Butte Community College and part-time at CSU-Chico where he has applied for adjunct status. In April 1998 his first book, Language and Communication: A Cross-cultural Encyclopedia, was released. It is now in a second printing. Mike organized the current exhibit in the Chico Museum on fly fishing and stream conservation. He and wife Denise, Mike writes, are happily married and living in lower Paradise. Denise will be going to India this fall. He would like to see some of the "old gang" (Will and Lisa, Scott and Kaylyn, et. al.). "Look us up!"

Laura Gillin (Dawson), Welches, OR (BA) Laura still loves being a stay at home mom with two children. "Wow has time flown." Daughter Alison starts kindergarten this fall and son Brad is almost two. She says that it is amazing how many people she meets that have college degrees in anthropology. They still love living in Oregon. They have deer outside their kitchen window and green hillsides with the view of the river through their living room windows.

1986

Maureen Bell, Montague, CA, bell@snowcrest.net (BA) Maureen is "happily married" and has been for 17 years. She and husband John have two children: Meghan age 8 and "Jack" or John Patrick, Jr, age 2. Maureen still writes some and plans to do more when Jack is a little older. The National Cowboy Hall of Fame (Persimmon Hill Press) published her article on Emma Freeman in Fall 1998. True West published many of her articles, and her book, The Karuk: An Up River People, still sells.

Dana Flatter, Boise, ID, dflatter/r4_boise@fs.fed.us > new (BA and Museum Studies certificate) Dana is employed by the Boise National Forest doing archaeology work.

1987

Mary Kowta, Chico, mkowta@csuchico.edu (MA) Mary is the International Student Services Coordinator at CSU-Chico. She and husband "Mark" took a wonderful trip to England last summer. Children and grandchildren are "terrific".

Lisa Agler Shapiro, Sacramento, shapirolisa@pacificlegacy.com (MA) Greetings again this year! All is well with the Shapiros. Both have been employed with Pacific Legacy, Inc. for several years doing CRM work. They visit Chico often. They enjoy seeing Chico people at annual meetings and catching up with department events and people through new graduates and grad students as they emerge into the consulting-archaeology front. Lisa and Will visited China last year, and Lisa says, "Wow the Great Wall is really amazing!" Will and Lisa celebrated their 12th wedding anniversary. They both say, "Congratulations to Dr. Kowta on his Lifetime Achievement Award!"

1990s

1991

Jarith Kraft, Red Bluff, jacklkk@snowcrest.net, (BA, CRM certificate, MA 1998) Jary is employed by BLM doing archaeological surveying and report generation. She hopes to be able to work part-time in archaeology during the next few years as her husband settles into retirement, Jack retired May 1999.

Pam Nett Kruger, Granada Hills, CA, 2pups@concentric.net (BA, MA CSU-Northridge) On January 20, 1999 daughter Ava was born. Pam quit her job to stay home with Ava which has been

"wonderful". She and husband had an opportunity to travel to Spain last fall and had a great time.

1992

Carol Bjornestad, Sherman Oaks, cbjom@aol.com (BA) Carol is the Executive Coordinator for the chairman and CEO of Spyglass Entertainment which is a new film company. Work has been very busy. They have a few movies out recently: Instinct with Anthony Hopkins and Cuba Gooding, Jr. and The Sixth Sense with Bruce Willis. She trained for and completed every mile of the 5th Annual California Aids Ride, San Francisco to Los Angeles on a bicycle – 570 miles! It was a wonderful experience she writes, the hardest part was all the camping and sunburns. Carol is thinking of doing it again for the 7th annual ride – writes she needs to take a year off, long enough to forget the bad/hard days. She is thinking of completing EMT training.

Sean Jensen, Chico, (BA, MA 1997) Sean is self-employed in CRM work. Wife Gina, daughter Alexandria (8), and he are studying karate. Sean will be testing for the Grandmaster in Okinawa next March (2000). He is also home schooling Alexandria and the advances academically are noticeable. Their bi-annual trip to the Rogue River was great and they discovered gold and started a mine claim. Under personal comments Sean writes: 1) think of what is right and true; 2) practice and cultivate the science; 3) become acquainted with the arts; 4) know the principles of the crafts; 5) understand the harm and benefit in everything; 6) learn to see everything accurately; 7) become aware of what is not obvious; 8) be careful even in small matters; and 9) do not do anything useless. Miyamoto Musachi, 1643.

Shona Nelson, Pleasanton, CA, shona@ix.netcom.com or Shona.Nelson@clorox.com (BA) Shona is a Senior Technician of home care new products and technology for The Clorox Company. Last October she was promoted and treated herself to a trip to Disneyland. She received her first patent in the end of last year and is expecting another any time now. In June Shona visited Chico for a weekend and went camping at Lake Almanor in July. She is still single after her divorce, hasn't met anyone special but she is still hopeful.

[The department thanks Shona for her donation and Clorox for their matching funds to our Annual Fund.]

Evlyn Turner, Paradise, (BA) Evlyn is completing studies for a BA in Religious Studies. She plans to "retire" from a formal educational program.

1993

JoElle Hernandez, Campbell, CA, jherndz@hooked.net (MA) JoElle is a Museum Scientist with UC Berkeley. After two years of

teaching high school biology she decided to return to UC Berkeley's Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology to continue work on NAGPRA. Her most exciting news is that she and husband Joe had a baby girl on July 14 named Mia Rose! According to JoElle, Mia can already identify bones!

Kevin Weherly, Chico, kweherly@csuchico.edu (BA, MA 1998) Kevin accepted a position as Residential Networking Coordinator for a year at CSU-Chico, continued employment as I.S.A. III for the Technology and Learning Program, and WebCT Administrator for online courses on campus. He completed his second semester as a part-time instructor teaching Anth 40, Magic, Witchcraft and Religion. Late last year Kevin moved into his new house. Kevin states, "Teaching is a wonderful experience which makes me want to pursue a Ph.D. so I can continue working with students interested in Anthropology."

1995

Fernando Acuna, Brazil, (BA) Since last winter Fernando has been in Kazakhstan teaching English in a private school to children in the 3rd grade and adolescents in the 9th and 10th grades. He says that it has been somewhat difficult since the books they are using are good and the access to books in English is still limited. But in spite of the problems, he likes the challenge and teaching small children is really a lot of fun! They amaze him with how quickly they learn and the way that they think. He had some discipline problems at first because Fernando was very active at first with the children and they liked the energy-level and began to be more active than Fernando. He also began teaching the administrators, staff, and teachers. When he arrived it was snowing and quite cold but the people and food were and are very good. The Kazak people, not the Russians who migrated there about 100 years ago, Fernando reports, are very oriental in nature. They look a little like Chinese with a small mixture of Mongolian. People there in the ex-Soviet State speak either Russian or Kazak, though most people speak Russian. His Russian, he says, is horrible – but is trying to learn. Fernando won't be back to Brazil until the end of the year or early next year when he will enter Graduate School at San Paulo.

Tim Anderson, San Mateo, CA (BA) Tim works for Lucent Technologies in instructional design where he develops multimedia training for corporations. His anthropology background gave him skills in interviewing and an awareness of cultural sensitivity needs in the workplace.

1996

Kristin Lundberg, Kansas City, (MA) Kristin is now living in Kansas City, Kansas where she entered this Fall semester in their anthropology Ph.D program.

While still in Chico she was in outreach health education for California Health Collaborative and taught part-time for the department.

Lynda Young, Valencia, CA, lynda_young@zd.com (BA, Museology certificate) Lynda is currently employed by Ziff-Davis Studios as IBM Project Manager. Other employers since graduation include Pacific Visions Communications, and California Museum of Science and Industry. Her personal accomplishments include currently training for the Honolulu marathon in December on behalf of the Leukemia Society.

1997

Shanon Jung, Missoula, MT, shannon@hrassoc.com > new (MA) Shannon is employed at Historical Research Associates as a research archaeologist where she has been doing fieldwork all over the west, including Montana, Utah, Idaho, South Dakota, and Washington. She co-taught a vertebrate osteology class at the University of Montana and really enjoyed it.

Susan (Stanbrough) Oilar, Red Bluff, soilar@snowcrest.net BA Susan is employed full-time, seasonal with the Lassen National Forest, Almanor Ranger District as an Archaeologist. Training/Education since leaving CSU-C include the University of Leicester, UK, Distance Learning Program, M.A. in Archaeology and Heritage, one more year to complete degree. Susan married Scott Oilar 9/28/97, and is expecting their first born, a son, in late August/early September 1999.

Jerridith Rickenbacker, Turlock, CA pinkstihl@aol.com (BA) Jerry is a substitute teacher with the Turlock School District. In July 1998 he passed the CBEST. He also volunteers at the local historical museum. He writes, "I think that anthropology is excellent preparation for teaching because we work with subadult apes in their natural environment."

Michael Toombs, Alameda, CA, mtoombs@primesight.com (BA) Mike is a Database Administrator for Primesight. He recently completed the California Aids Ride, a 580 mile ride from San Francisco to Los Angeles to benefit AIDS research. [Did you meet alumn Carol Bjornestad there, BA 1992?] "I would personally like to thank the entire faculty of the Department of Anthropology. Thank you for all the support and attention you gave me when I was an undergraduate!"

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David Bruestle, San Jose, CA, davbru@mail.csuchico.edu (BA, Certificate in Forensic Identification) Upon completing the requirements for the Certificate in Forensic ID in Spring 1999 David worked for the Santa Clara County Crime Lab doing ballistics and toxicology. As of mid-summer he was planning to work full-time either with the Monterey County Sheriff's Department or the CHP. He spent some time in Mexico, travelling and sightseeing. "I am very grateful for the excellent education CSU-C has provided. I would especially like to thank Dr. Murad for his help in steering me to a great career in forensic science. Investigations!"

Stacey Felkins, Newcastle, CA, (BA) Stacey is a department manager for Sears as well as attending CSU-Sacramento in their Teacher Preparation Program to attain a Multiple Subject Teaching Credential. In October she will be getting married to a former Chico State graduate.

Allyson Hallback, Orinda, CA, ahallback@navis.com or allysonh@yahholcom (BA) Allyson is a Marketing Communications Specialist with Navis LLC (Limited Liability Company) based in Oakland. Navis is the world's leading supplier of management, planning, and control software for container terminals and shipping lines. She is keeping very busy producing their client and partner newsletter, Boxes & Bytes, and preparing for an upcoming client conference, NavisWorld 2000, that Navis hosts every other year in San Francisco.

Anastasia Leigh, Sacramento, grebe@midtown.net (MA) Stacy is a Project Supervisor for Pacific Legacy, Inc. in Sacramento. "Sill happily married to my husband Kelly!"

Janine Mahon, Mendocino, CA, janinemahon@hotmail.com (BA) Janine is a volunteer with the Peace Corps. For the past year she has spent her days on the north coast, back at home with her parents, her roots. Last March of this year she left for a six week, solo backpacking trip throughout Panama spending three weeks on Panama's Caribbean Islands and the last three traveling into the Darien Province boarding Colombia, the home of the Embera Indians. Their openness made her feel as if she were a part of their family. Janine will be leaving within a few weeks for the Caribbean Island of Grenada with the Peace Corps. There she will be creating workshops with young women. "I must say," Janine writes, "I never thought I would be throwing Loker's formal methods book into the 'to go' pile, with pleasure!" Her 1999-2002 address is Peace Corps, P. O. Box 766, St. George's

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Jeff Partain, Vista, CA, jmpartain@aol.com
(BA) Jeff is a substitute teacher with the Vista Unified School District. He is still interested in a master's program. He has been exploring the Santa Rosa wilderness and Borrego desert area. He found a lot of artifacts and rock houses. Jeff and Alex Cousins (BA 1999) went to Mexico and Central America, explored ruins, made friends, and enjoyed the surroundings as they moved from one town to the next. "An experience I will never forget". "The experience I gained from CSU-Chico was wonderful. I couldn't have received a better education in anthropology. I miss being there as an undergrad. Thanks to all my instructors. You are great."

Bryan Steelman, St. Helena, CA,
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Nancy Valente, Mill Valley, CA,
nvalente@a.crl.com (MA) Nancy is employed part-time and has a full-time temporary position since August 2. She has worked for various CRM firms since leaving Chico in the winter of 1996. Her work has included archaeological monitoring in both Marin and Alameda counties. She has also done the faunal analysis for several excavations at sites in Marin, Alameda, Santa Clara, and San Mateo counties. Currently, Nancy is the Lab Director for the Emeryville Shellmound (Ala-309) excavation and hopes to have the opportunity to do the faunal analysis from the work. This job was the result of her contact with Sean Dexter, a Chico State Anthro grad student, who is working for the firm that has the contract. Nancy still scavenges carcasses for her small reference faunal collection – she has received several carcasses of dead things from 'friends' who keep on the look-out for her! She is still married to David (37 years). Their three sons are all living in the Bay Area close by and seem to have launched themselves successfully in life. No, no grandchildren, but lots of grand-dogs and cats!

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