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Letter from the Chair

Dear Alumni and Current Anthropology Students:

Greetings from the dens and denizens of Butte Hall (and Langdon and Tehama and wherever anthropology faculty are found!). This is my first *Clan Destiny* letter as chair. I am actually only *interim* chair, having taken over when **Frank Bayham** bailed to take a sabbatical. But I'll be the official chair starting in the Fall, so I guess we all better get used to this.

All kidding aside, I want to thank Frank for his great job stewarding the department and leaving it in such great condition. All our alums will be happy to know that your department is doing very well, thanks to Dr. Bayham's able guidance.

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Chico Anthropological Society

The Chico Anthropological Society (CAS), run by students in the Anthropology Department, experienced a fun and productive year. In the Fall of 2002 a small humble group lead by President Molly Barnard kicked it off with a wine tasting and barbecue featuring wines from almost 20 different countries around the world. The pack was tight after their warming social event and soon after the ball really started to roll. The first annual "Ethnic Potluck" was held in the Ethnographic Lab, Butte 305, and was a great time. Yet the highlight of 2002 was a CAS trip to the 100th anniversary celebration of the American Anthropological Association (AAA) Conference. Appropriately, the celebration and meetings were held in New Orleans. Upon their return, the students were invited to present their experiences at the Anthropology Forum, one of the first undergraduate presentations of this event.

The return to campus in the spring of 2003 was a pleasant surprise as the CAS meeting turned out nearly triple its size in members. With funds from the previous semester and motivated students, the 2nd annual "Ethnic Potluck" was even more successful than the first. This time it included a flamenco dance troop and belly dancers. There will also be the introduction of the club's first Ethnographic Film Festival in April. The club members will house the presenters of these films as they have been brought in from neighboring universities. Current plans are underway for an end-of-the-semester softball game: CAS vs. the faculty.

You can keep up to date with the CAS Newsletter on upcoming events and activities of the club. This year the newsletter has been going into the community and local business reading sections with the intentions of "getting the word out" on anthropology. You may pick up your copy in the Anthropology Department office, Butte 311.

Submitted by Paige Holmes,
CAS Newsletter Editor

Elsewhere in the newsletter you can read about your favorite faculty and fellow alums, but I thought I would highlight a couple of the goings on around here that might interest you.

The archaeology program is stronger than ever. **Nette Martinez** is firmly on-board after her hire in 1999. She is working with a number of graduate students, teaching exciting undergraduate classes and continuing her research on Native Californians and historical archaeology generally. She is starting some exciting research in the new Big Chico Creek Ecological Reserve, just up stream from Upper Bidwell Park. This is a huge property (3,950 acres) acquired through a state and private foundation funding that the University is managing as a reserve. Nette and students are doing archaeological surveys and other research as part of the management plan. The Archaeological Research Program under the always-dynamic leadership of **Greg White** is also very active throughout the North State, providing employment and experience for our students. Greg is also on the brink of finishing up his doctoral degree at UC, Davis. Wish him luck!

The Museum is also going great due to the sustained efforts of **Stacy Schaefer** (hired in 1999), new faculty **Georgia Fox** (hired 2001), curator **Adrienne Scott** (hired 2001) and the scores of students who make the place work. This Spring there is a super exhibit on Guatemalan textiles,



"Wrapped in Beauty," that has received rave reviews from all who have seen it. Museum Studies students and faculty really out did themselves in putting this exhibit together! We had plenty of input and assistance from Dr. Matthew Looper of the Art Department, who guest-curated the show. Dr. Looper is a world renowned expert on Guatemalan textiles and Maya hieroglyphs. (He's also really an anthropologist, but don't tell the Art Department!)

Both the Museum and the Archaeology Research Program and Labs will be moving in the coming year or so. Some of you may have received calls from the "dialing for dollars" crew asking for donations for the Museum or other Department needs. We apologize in advance if you found the telemarketing a nuisance. *But we really need your help in making the new Museum of Anthropology a reality.* If you can help out with a contribution, no matter how small, we will be much obliged for your help, and put your money to work for the museum. Simply make the checks out to me ... oh, no! I mean the Department of Anthropology. Use the little form included with this issue of *Clan Destiny*, if you wish. Thanks in advance for your help and thanks to those who have already made contributions! Stay in touch and let us know how you are doing.

In the next Chair's letter I'll write about neat stuff going on in Physical Anthropology (did you see P. Willey on the Discovery Channel??) and in Cultural Anthropology (news from Beijing and around the world!). Take care, everyone. Stay in touch, we love hearing from you – send letters – send e-mails – send photos – send money!

Bill Loker
Interim Chair

Department News

It is with regret that the department had to give up the Anthropology House acquired in 2000. The University Housing turned it over to a commercial property management firm in Chico who in turn raised the rent that was prohibitive for our students. The "conference room" inside the department office has been turned into more of a work room and with storage cabinets. Gone is the famous world map on the wall and the huge table and its blue chairs. But relax, the table and chairs are comfortably housed in the new Human ID Lab in Plumas Hall and the map is in a high school classroom.

The Physical Anthropology Human Identification Lab is finally all moved from Butte Hall 303 to a much more spacious Plumas Hall, 115, 115A, 115B, 115C, and 115D. Butte 303 is currently being re-constructed to house a Conservation Lab under the direction of Dr. **Georgia Fox**.

Budget cuts and more budget cuts. Not certain when it will end. We had a department cut of 5% this academic year and expect from 7.5% to 10 maybe 12% cut next year. Needless to say, many former sections of GE classes have been cut and maybe more. We were in the midst of conducting a faculty search for a medical anthropologist when the search was terminated in January by the dean due to budget constraints.

Dr. **Stacy Schaefer** was awarded tenure and promoted to Associate Professor. Dr. **Alex King**, hired 2000, resigned from Chico State last year to take a position in Aberdeen, Scotland.

The Big Chico Creek Ecological Reserve (BCCER) is managed by the Research Foundation of the California State University, Chico, for pur-

poses of education, research, and habitat protection. The BCCER, located ten miles north of Chico, is the largest tract of land managed by the CSUC Research Foundation and shares a boundary with Chico's most important recreational area, Bidwell Park. The Reserve ranges in elevation from 700 to 2,160 feet and includes approximately 4.0 miles of Big Chico Creek. The BCCER contains diverse wildlife sustained in unique and critically important habitats. BCCER also contains a number and variety of cultural resources, including historical sites and features indicative of exploration, mining, logging, homesteading, and ranching, as well as prehistoric sites and features representing ancient and historic Native American habitation and other land uses. **Antoinette "Nette" Martinez**, Department of Anthropology, is a member of the BCCER Technical Advisory Committee, and is currently working on a long-term research design for conducting archaeological research on the reserve. Several Anthropology students are in the process of developing proposals and conducting research projects within the boundaries of the reserve.

The Department had a record number of 41 graduate applications for Fall 2003, heavy in the forensic ID program followed by archaeology and the Museum Studies program is picking up, again.

Last year the Arthur Lehmann Scholarship Committee awarded \$750.00 to a graduate student for archaeological fieldwork in the Grand Canyon and Kaibab National Forests. Another \$750 was awarded to another but they had to decline it after being unable to acquire additional necessary funding.



3rd Reunion Tentative Schedule

Saturday, September 13, 2003

1 PM

Registration and Visiting

Tours

New Human ID Lab

(Plumas 115)

New ? Arch Lab

3 PM

Private showing Photo Exhibit

(Museum of Anthro-pology)

5:30 PM

Dinner: on campus

Sunday, September 14, 2003

10:30 AM

**Brunch at the newly expanded
Sierra Nevada**

**Enjoy the rest of the day
visiting alumni and Chico.**

*A registration form with
further details will be mailed
in July.*

In and Around the University

University President Manual Esteban has announced his retirement at the end of this academic year after serving for the past ten years. Yolo Hall (SW of Schurmer Gym), the new home of the Physical Education and Exercise Science and the Recreation and Parks Management departments, had its ribbon cutting in January. Since last summer everywhere you turn there are trenches, chain link fences, and detours due to infrastructure to house new wiring for better and up-to-date technology and is expected to continue for another year. On campus during February and March there was an anti-war tent city protest where students lived in several tents placed in the Free Speech Area. Former university president Glenn Kendall (1950-1966) passed away March 5, 2003 at the age of 101.



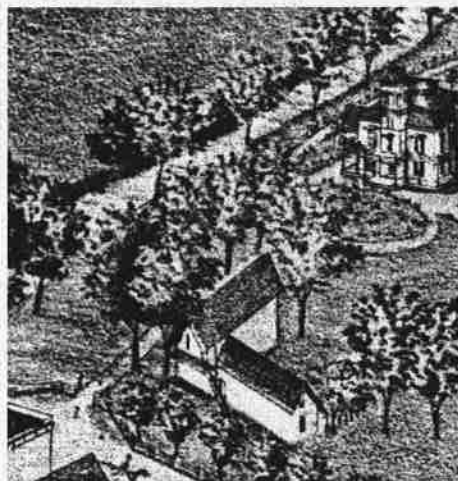
In and Around the Facilities

Archaeological Research Program Museum of Anthropology

The California Department of Parks and Recreation has asked our ARP to help them locate archaeological traces in their new "historic landscape plan" designed to return Bidwell Mansion State Historic Park to a turn-of-the-century look. Our ARP will accomplish this not by digging but via documents, photographs, maps, and remote sensing. This is expected to take five years to complete.



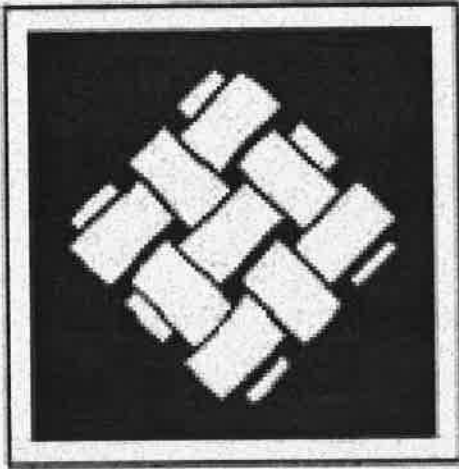
Above: Cesium Vapor Magnetometer in use on Bidwell Mansion grounds. The ARP study has found traces of the old Bidwell adobe depicted below in a birds-eye view from 1871.



Coming into 2003, the Museum of Anthropology is on the verge of major changes. First and foremost is the upcoming move to Plumas Hall, slated for the summer 2004. We are excited about this move for many reasons, not the least of which is we will have a more spacious and central location on campus, on the ground level, and closer to Butte Hall, home of the Department of Anthropology.

If you haven't been by to see our latest exhibit, you now have until July 25 to stop and take a look. The exhibit, *Wrapped in Beauty: Textile Reflections of Maya Indian Lives in Guatemala*, features beautiful Maya textiles within the context of recent changes in Maya society, before and after the Guatemalan Civil War. Dr. Matthew Looper from the Department of Art and Art History served as guest curator. His knowledge of Maya Indian culture, backstrap loom technology and the many levels that textiles play in Maya lives, provides for even greater depth to the content and interpretation of this fascinating exhibit, and the biggest exhibit to date for the Museum. Words cannot describe the beauty of this colorful treat. Next spring's exhibit, 2004, will be *Ripples in the Creek: a Cultural Journey Through Chico's History* and will be directed by Museum co-director Dr. Georgia Fox and her Anth 288B class (Exhibit Installation) along with guest curator Dr. Antoinette Martinez, also from the Anthropology Department.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming alumni celebration September 13, 2003. The Museum will host a private show-



ing of our 19th Annual American Visions Photography Competition.

Last spring (2002) the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) awarded Dr. Schaefer and the Museum a grant from their Museum Assessment Program (MAP) for an outside peer review. In January 2003 Dr. Suzanne Griset, Collections Division Head of the Arizona State Museum in Tucson, met with our Museum staff and reviewed all the Museum's operations and the museum collection to evaluate our current status. Dr. Griset's visit provided valuable peer consultation and thoughtful suggestions so the Museum can eventually qualify for American Association of Museums accreditation.

Our popular lecture series, *World Explorations*, is going strong. Scheduled the first Sunday of each month during the academic school year, the lecture series includes a number of lively guest speakers sharing their knowledge and observations garnered from recent journeys here in the United States and abroad. The Museum of Anthropology remains dedicated to its mission as a teaching museum for students on campus, as well as serving the Chico community and beyond with our educational programs and events for all ages.

Since January 2003 we sponsored a story and crafts time and the annual science fair design workshop.

Physical/Human ID Lab

In between working on the many cases from law enforcement agencies throughout northern California and Nevada, staff and interns have been busy since last summer moving the lab from Butte 303 to Plumas 115 and overseeing it's renovation for our needs. Plumas has a much, much larger space with a suite of 5 rooms. The lab also acquired a much needed new and better fume hood. There are four computer stations set up.



Visit the Department of Anthropology website for lots of information and great Anthropology links.

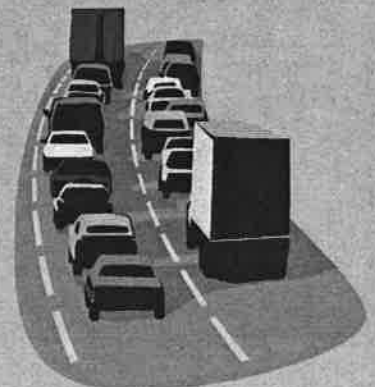
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In and Around Chico News

Chico continues to grow with more sub-divisions and traffic. Traffic on and off the freeway has become even more congested. Chico Heat (minor baseball team, not the weather) is gone! Yes, the owners took them out of Chico. They will be sorely missed by all the fans. Long time restaurants Pat 'n Larry's and R. Fish/Fish and Game closed their doors and were opened to Chinese buffets which have become a huge trend of late. Both Asian and Mexican restaurants are flooding Chico along with an increasing number of coffee houses (at least 6 Starbucks, one Peet's, the Bean Scene, and more). OSH (Orchard Supply Hardware) opened on West East Avenue last fall and Troutman's at the Chico Mall will be closed by the time you read this *Clan Destiny*.



History of the Anthropology Department Part II: 1970-2002

Based on an article by Keith L. Johnson

In 1972 the Department Office was relocated from Trinity Hall to the 3rd floor of the then new 7-story Butte Hall. Our classrooms and some faculty offices were also moved (again). We gained a Physical Anthropology Lab on the 3rd floor of the new building. The Museum stayed in Trinity Hall and the Archaeology Laboratory and darkroom were located in Tehama Hall. Valene Smith, in 1973, initiated our annual alumni newsletter later named *Clan Destiny* and served as its editor for 17 consecutive years. Student's Guide to the Department of Anthropology, a pamphlet, was used in 1973 as a convenient introduction to the BA and MA programs, faculty, facilities, club, etc.

Because Anthro majors were required to take two cultural area classes in order to obtain their BA, the department searched for cultural faculty who had research experience in specified regions of the world. Valene had expertise in Arctic and Northern America, Beverly

Chinas in Mesoamerica and Art Lehmann in Africa. Dr. Thomas Johnson was hired in 1970 to develop classes on Japan and Asia. He also initiated the NE California Folklore Archives at Chico State. Dr. Charles Urbanowicz, a Pacific specialist, joined the department in 1973. By then it was difficult to obtain new faculty positions, and it was a struggle to scrape enough fragments of a position to finally offer Charlie a full-time tenure track appointment. It would be 8 years before the department was able to add another cultural anthropologist to the faculty when Dr. Claire "Ginger" Farrer was hired in 1985 to teach cultural anthro classes. Valene Smith had signed up for the first early retirement program (FERP). Both Farrer and Smith were honored as the Outstanding Professor at Chico State; Farrer 1993-94 and Smith in 1980-81. In addition, Dr. Smith was named the Outstanding

Professor of the whole California State University system for 1980-81.

The physical anthro program did not stabilize until Dr. Turhon Murad joined the department in 1972 and initiated the Physical Anthropology Lab. Today, he and Dr. P. Willey, who came to us in 1989, direct one of the top forensic programs in the USA. The linguistic part of the BA degree was not fully developed as the department was unsuccessful over the years in retaining a full-time linguistic anthropologist.

By 1975 it was evident that the department needed a research archaeologist to expand the Archaeological Research Program. The third hire proved to be the charm when the department hired Dr. Frank Bayham in

hamburgers). Then in summer 2000 Frank was instrumental in the department acquiring another house located 2 blocks from the football stadium on La Vista.

Starting in 1976 Art Lehmann was Chair of the department for 9 years. Of all the department chairs Art seemed to enjoy the position the most. Once when the Geography Department was unable to select their own chair, Art was appointed to serve as their chair by the University President. Art was known as a kind of character, always ready with a joke or humorous story to tell and when he and Jim Myers got together – anything could happen. They played practical jokes on each other, dressed as each other for Halloween parties, and in many other ways added substantially to the

fun time in the department. It was particularly entertaining during arena registration to watch the two work the crowds of freshmen convincing them to enroll in our lower division classes. Most remember fondly Art and Jim playing their

recorders at Christmas parties in the department's conference room.

In 1978 Valene started a journal of papers written by anthro students. It was christened Genetic Drift and later became the Chico Anthropological Society Papers.

The Museum program became even stronger. The Certificate in Museology (now named Museum Studies), like a degree minor, was started in 1979 and in 1982 a Museum Studies Option was added to the Anthropology Master's Degree program. In 1989 the Edna May Johnson Memorial Museum Scholarship, in honor of Keith's mother, for advanced museum studies students was established. In 1985 the Museum initiated the first juried photo contest and exhibit. This has since become an annual event which lures entries from around the United States as well as locally.

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1985. A few years later Frank was placed in a tenure-track position. Along the way, Frank initiated the Zooarchaeology Program and Lab and for the past 14 summers directed the very successful Zooarch and Field Ecology School at Eagle Lake. It is said that he brings as many zooarch contracts to campus as road kills. Frank served as chair of the department 1997-2002.

The infamous Anthropology House was established in 1975 and operated until 1979 as a co-operative residence for 10 anthro students. It was located on W. 3rd Street along with the "language houses". This older 2-story house became the focal point for student and faculty activities, meetings, and social events. Once a week the residents went to The Graduate (still going strong) for their "sliders" (greasy

In 1986 the Northern California Association of Museums (NORCAM) was formed which over 60 museums joined. Museum students assisted in offering the Association members professional workshops, internship programs, and museum management evaluations. This was 1 of only 5 such programs in the United States. During an exhibit the Museum has welcomed thousands of school children throughout the North State when each class is given a docent-led tour of the current exhibit. In addition, on some weekends workshops based on the exhibit theme are offered. The most popular of these is a display design program for students who participate in the annual Science Fair at their schools.

In order to further train our students in the new environmental field of cultural resource management, which included contract archaeology and provided our students excellent paid field experience, an upper division class, Planning for the Past, and the Certificate in Applied Anthropology: Cultural Resource Management was developed in 1979.

In October 1980 the first monthly faculty-staff dinner "An Evening Together" was held at the former LaFonda Restaurant. It was immensely popular and has continued each month at different eateries in or near Chico. A large glass display case was installed outside the department office in 1986 exhibiting faculty publications with their photograph. The Cultural Anthropology Certificate, designed by Art and Claire, was approved in 1986. In 1994 the Certificate in Forensic Identification was approved which Turhon and P. developed for the expanding Physical Anthro program.

The Department has been blessed over the years with 3 outstanding department secretaries. Diane Corey was hired as the department's first secretary in 1969. She moved out of state in 1972 then Alice Briggs came over from the Psychology Department. Alice retired in 1980 then Trudy Waldroop was hired, also from the Psychology Department, and she's still with us. These women have kept the department on it toes and moving forward.



Returned/Missing Addresses

The department had numerous returned undeliverable addresses/forward order expired for many alumni. If you have a current address for any of the following please send them to the department.

Marybeth Allen
Henry O. Bass
Mary Bickel
Jeffrey W. Brooke
Shannon Brooks
Bill Brown
David Bruestle
Caryn Carlone
Patricia K. Carpenter
Jennifer Carter
Donna and Ed Catlett
Christine Cifelli
Benjamin Cramer
Ute Crispin
Kate Cutler
Margaret Derr
Geoffrey Dunn
Sally Evans
Devon Ford
Norene Goldberg
Lori Hager Holson
Coral Henderson

Robert H. Hull
Donne Jeffers
Duane Julien
Eric Killion
Helen Kirkman
Angela Larson
Pam Lee
Jettie Lowrie
Amy Magoria
Eddic Moravec
Kimberly Mullen
Erik Olson
Jennifer Parlett
Scott Pirtle
Alice Precht
Jamaica Ritcher
Darrell Sanders
Ben Scinto
Cheryl Slankard Pearson
Susan Stanbrough
Diane Sylvia
Krislyn Taite

From the Editor

We are disappointed that this year's issue is smaller and lacks pictures from you in comparison to last year's, which was the largest C. D. ever published. Plus the fact that we keep 'losing' several alumni due to returned mail. Everyone here is excited about the upcoming 3rd departmental Reunion in September. With this much notice we hope to have an even bigger turn out than the 2nd reunion held in 1995. It's been fun and a pleasure to keep in touch with Anthropology's alumni. Hope each of you will continue to keep in touch with us. I'd like to thank graduate student and department office assistant "Mim" Roeder for her valuable assistance with this issue. And special thanks to Rose White who turned an ordinary Word document into this great publication.

Trudy

Departmental Scholarships

Department of Anthropology Annual Fund

A general fund which can only be spent on instructional needs. This fund also accepts employer matching funds. We thank those alumni who have gotten their employers to contribute.

Edna May Johnson Memorial Museum Scholarship

Is awarded annually to a deserving student in the museum studies program. Recipients are named on a plaque in the department office.

Arthur C. Lehmann Field Work Fund

This fund will provide support specifically for seniors and graduate students to do field study.

Connie Sweeney Museum Endowment

The Sweeney endowment was established a few years ago to benefit the Museum of Anthropology. Interest from this endowment is used each year to aid in the operation of the museum.

Faculty News

Claire Farrer (1985)

Ginger was awarded the 2002-2003 National Endowment for the Humanities/Henry Jack Gray Distinguished Visiting Professor of Humanities at the University of Hartford, Connecticut. She taught a one week faculty seminar in July 2002 with follow-up sessions in October 2002 and March 2003. She was also selected as an "Outstanding Scientist for 2002" by the International Biography Centre of Cambridge, England (where anthropology is considered a science), as well as continuing to be listed in the Who's Who of American Women. Ginger also sat as the 2002 Chair of the Victor Turner Prize Committee to choose an outstanding ethnography on behalf of the Society for Humanistic Anthropology, one of the constituent organizations of the American Anthropological Association. She says that she is "busier in 'retirement' than I ever thought possible."

Georgia Fox (2001)

Georgia is one of our two Co-Directors of the Museum of Anthropology. Georgia along with fellow co-director Stacy Schaefer and Curator Adrienne Scott, have been busily planning the Museum of Anthropology's future move to Plumas Hall. Now in her second year, Georgia has been involved in a number of projects. This past summer, the Museum of Anthropology and the Department of Anthropology were awarded a \$23,000 grant from the California Department of Parks and Recreation to refurbish part of a Maidu exhibit at the Lake Oroville Visitors'

[The year after the name represents the year the individual came to CSU-Chico.]

Center. Georgia served as Principle Investigator, with graduate students Elizabeth Kallenbach and Chris Ruiz also participating. Also last summer, Georgia received partial funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities Grant to attend courses at the Campbell Center for Historic Preservation Studies in August 2002. She also attended a workshop last summer at Texas A&M University along with a delegation of other conservation scientists from the Smithsonian Institution, Clemson University, and the Hunley Project, to learn about applying polymer chemistry to conserving organic materials. Things are shaping up with the new Conservation Lab in Butte 303, thanks to a Large CELT Grant awarded to Georgia to purchase supplies and equipment for the new lab, which is affiliated with the new course, ANTH 265: Conservation of Archaeological and Ethnographic Resources. Finally, wearing her archaeological hat, Georgia presented a paper at the AAAs in New Orleans last November and has a chapter in a forthcoming book to be published this fall by Altamira Press on socioeconomic changes in 17th century British America.

Carolyn Brown Heinz (1997)

Spring and fall of 2002 were creative luminal periods for Carolyn Heinz, who escaped Chico in the spring on sabbatical writing a book and teaching in Beijing in the fall. Somehow for anthropologists it often seems easier to get money and time to go off to the field to do research than to hunker down with large blocks of time for the writing phase of the ethnographer's life. So with materials from four fieldtrips to north Bihar [India], only some of which have been published in a dozen journal articles, she escaped to her summer house at Minter Bay near Tacoma to work on In a Colonial Realm: The Making of the Maithil Brahmins and Darbhanga

Raj. During coffee breaks she could watch eagles feeding off the salmon coming up Minter Creek in late summer. The book will get finished this coming summer.

In July she took off a month to study Chinese intensively in Chengdu in China's southwest province of Sichuan, memorizing several hundred characters and trying to make her mouth pronounce the four tones of Mandarin before taking 14 Chico students to Beijing for fall semester. Three of these students were from the Anthropology Department. This was largely an urban experience at Beijing Language and Culture University, although the group did escape Beijing for two weeks to visit the Confucian heartland in Shandong Province, the Buddhist grottos in Loyang, the tomb of the First Emperor in Xian, and ending up in ultra-modern Shanghai. They were among the very last groups to take the cruise down the Yangtze and through the Three Gorges area; two weeks later the final boulders were dumped into the last gap of the river in the final stage of the building of the great dam. Students also got out to the site of "Peking Man" at Zhoukoudian. One high point of the semester for Heinz was two trips to a rural village in the shadow of a remote section of the Great Wall. It isn't easy to get into rural Chinese villages, but on two separate trips it was possible to learn a little about contemporary rural life. In this village, at least, rural people felt that China's new capitalist prosperity was reaching them, as well; every household we entered had TVs, VCRs, electricity, and new brick gates and walls.

Carolyn's now back in the Chico groove, re-invigorated, but looking forward to eagles, oysters, salmon, and finishing her book this summer.

Makoto Kowta (1969)

The Kowta household, reduced to two these days, but with plenty of temporary specialists coming and going as they remodel the "West Wing" of the house. Mark is presently teaching two classes but "is talking about getting ready to do some serious writing" when the remodeling is finished, pulling together his notes on the history of California archaeology and the work he's done regarding the local scene. As of this writing (March 03) he is preparing papers in honor of Jerry Johnson and Fritz Riddell for the Society for California Archaeology meetings in Sacramento. Mary has just returned from another recruiting trip from Korea, reporting that things are still relatively quiet there. Summertime should see some additional backyard landscaping projects to go with the house remodeling. "When that's all done, we should be able to host overnight guests more easily than in the past, so please feel free to give us a call and plan to visit us. Till then, our best to all."

Bill Loker (1996)

Bill writes, "Formerly dynamic and popular professor, Bill Loker, has turned into a chair! Loker was last seen with plaid upholstery, rigidly placed with all four legs on the floor in the Department of Anthropology office. Various anthro faculty were gathered around giggling and taking turns settling their derrières in the chair. Students have been lining up, waiting for a chance to do the same. Rumor has it that the condition is not permanent and that Loker will resort to his ol' footloose, shufflin' self in about three years"

Turhon Murad (1972)

Turhon continues to teach forensics and assist students as well as agencies in related matters. He and

New Graduates

BA December 2001

Natalie Welch

BA May 2002

Samantha Aab, William S. Beck, Kingman Bond-Graham, Amy Sue Bruce (Anthro Honor Student), Ezra Butterfield, Andrew Carroll-Perdue, Brian Childs, Scott Coveau, Erin Galiger, Julia Hebert, Kathrine "Kathy" Holden, Arien McCrea, Elizabeth Osgood, Melinda Pierce, Kirsten Spall, Sarah M. Swanson, Kristina Todd, Isaac Vega, Kathleen E. Walsh, and Melody Yeager

MA 2001

Sondra Harlan, Museum Studies Option, "Hidden Dimensions in Photographs: A Proxemic Analysis"

Matthew Meyer (With Distinction) "Chico State's Pioneer Days, 1919-1987: Imagining the 'Good Old Days'"

Jason Wiersema "An Analysis of the Appropriateness of the Use of Fordisc 2.0 in the Ancestral Classification of Unidentified Crania in California"

Matthew Brickley "An Organic Past: An Examination of Organic Agriculture in Butte County"

Gina Hart "Fracture Pattern Interpretation in the Skull: Differentiating Blunt Force from Ballistics Trauma"

Julia Pennington (Museum Studies Option, with Distinction) "Are Interactive Museum Programs an Effective Way to Teach Archaeology?"

MA 2002

Angela Pierce McGrew (Museum Studies Option) "Integrated Pest Management for the Move of an Anthropological Museum Collection"

Marlo Eakes Meyer "The Culture of Consumption and the Consumption of Culture: An Ethnography of the Chico Certified Farmers' Market"

has moved from the Records Office to become an Evaluator on campus, Mark recently graduated from the Butte Culinary Academy, Todd is going to school in Stockton, and Turhon continues to teach and consult for the CA Department of Justice.

Stacy Schaefer (1999)

Stacy, Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Co-Director of the Museum of Anthropology, has been very productive in many arenas. She oversaw the national photo show, *Paws, Hooves, Fins and Feathers: Critters of America*, at the Museum of Anthropology last fall which was curated by Chris Ruiz, graduate student in Anthropology and Gina Palm, undergraduate student completing the Certificate in Museum Studies. Stacy also supervised the students enrolled in ANTH 288B (Museum Installation) who mounted an exciting and very professional exhibit titled *Taming the Wild: Human and Animal Relations*. The exhibit explores the many special relationships that exist between humans and animals through the processes of domestication, taming and training. Some of the pieces displayed in the exhibit were loaned by the California Academy of Sciences and the Natural History Museum at CSUC. She co-authored an article with ethnobotanist Jim Bauml, "Huichol Indian Dye Plants" in the journal *The Herbarist*. She will have published in 2002 her book, *To Think With A Good Heart: Wix-rika Women, Weavers and Shamans* with the University of Utah Press. Stacy has another article in press "Plants and Healing on the Wix-rika (Huichol) Peyote Pilgrimage" for the German publication *Yearbook of Cross-Cultural Medicine and Psychotherapy*. She gave various paper presentations during the past year: *Equilibrando el cielo y la tierra: los chamanes Huicholes del*

Venado Azul for the International Conference on Shamanism in Barcelona, Spain; *Wix-rika (Huichol) Women and Gender-Related Symbolism in the Works of Carl Lumholtz* for the American Anthropological Association in Washington D.C., and *Wix-rika (Huichol) Altars* for the Latin American Symposium at the San Diego Museum of Man. Stacy remains active in her fieldwork; she visited the Wix-ritari (Huichol Indians) twice in 2001 and twice again in 2002. She also continues her fieldwork among Mexican Americans and members of the Native American Church in South Texas.

Charlie Urbanowicz (1973)

Charlie is in his 29th year of teaching at CSU, Chico, having taught at the University of Minnesota in 1972-1973, after receiving his PhD in 1972 from the University of Oregon. Charlie is amazed at how quickly time passes (especially as one gets older!). Charlie and wife Sadie flew to Sydney, Australia on December 22, 2001, to celebrate their 38th wedding anniversary (talk about time quickly passing!) They arrived on December 24 (geography is important!) then set sail on the 27th for a 2 week cruise that included stops in Melbourne, Tasmania, and various ports-of-call in New Zealand. Charlie and Sadie lived in Sydney in 1970 and 1971 when Charlie was doing some of his dissertation research. Sydney has changed! They observed it was very nice to go back (but the "bush fires" that you may have read about were horrible!). You may recall that Charlie includes information on "Tasmanian Aborigines" in his various classes and it continues to be important (and fun) to travel and see places that one "lectures" about and then bring that perspective back into the classroom. Wife Sadie is employed as a "Licensing Coordinator" at Youth & Family Pro-

grams (in Chico). They still enjoy being the grandparents of 2 wonderful grandchildren; their son Tom and wife Julia are in the process of building a house on five acres just opposite Butte College. Charlie still "does Darwin" and was invited to be the guest speaker for "Darwin Day" activities in Sacramento in February 2002. This was one of 97 world-wide events dealing with Darwin and Charlie has his paper (but of course!) on the web. It deals with the "countdown" to 2008/2009 (history is important too!); have a look, if you wish, at <http://www.csuchico.edu/~curban/DarwinSacFeb2002/html>. Charlie also continues his involvement in the theatre: in summer 2001 he took part in *Court Theatre Memories and More*, and in spring 2002 he performed as a "cranky old man" in the campus production of *Street Scene*. Charlie obviously still keeps busy.

P. Willey (1989)

P. was on sabbatical leave spring 2001 to gather data concerning the 7th Cavalry medical histories. First stage of data collection finally completed January 2002. Plus he continued consultation with the Department of Defense concerning MIA identifications. This is his last year of a 5 year contract. And P. has his on-going research on prehistoric Crow Creek massacre and prehistoric Jaguar Cave (TN) footprints. For pleasure he and wife July continued to explore the hiking trails and ski paths of Northern California. This past summer they started more hiking off trail. P. had a couple of good days fishing with Mike Findlay (MA 1984) and looks forward to several more this coming season.

Retired Faculty

Beverly Chinias (1960-1994)

Beverly says that she is still alive, still biking and birding, still enjoying ev-

ery day of retirement. "Once in a while I actually do something useful!"

Keith L Johnson (1963-2002)
Chico, kjohnson@csuchico.edu

Last year, Keith's first in full retirement from the University, was very busy for him and wife Karen. Keith wrote a history of the Department (Part I appeared in the 2002 issue and the final part appears in this issue) for his retirement lunch in February and prepared a paper in honor of Dr. Kowta for the archaeology meetings in San Diego. Charlie Urbanowicz and he held master orals for Angela Pierce McGrew of the Smithsonian. Karen and Keith traveled to Gettysburg and visited many of the temple mounds along the Mississippi. They visited Dennis Mertz (MA 1982) and his family in San Francisco and kept in touch during football and basketball seasons. They attended a UCLA football game in Oregon and visited Kuri Gill (MA 1998) and husband Tom Wells in Brownsville. October found them camping and hiking in the snow, rain and mud of Chaco Canyon. For their anniversary they traveled to Sequoia and spent the Christmas holidays with their whole family in Merrida, Yucatan. As usual the Butte County Historical Society Museum and Archives took up most of their spare time.

James Myers (1965-1994), Berkeley

Jim is thriving in Berkeley...mostly by bringing his fixer-upper Berkeley hills home up to semi-speed, chipping away at one or two stone sculptures, trying to adjust to Berkeley taxes (and politics), volunteering as a stage hand for the Berkeley opera, and slowly cranking out the 6th/ed of the Lehmann/Myers Magic, Witchcraft, Religion book. ("Alas, life isn't the same without my old buddy Arthur "He Da' King"

Lehmann...R.I.P. old pal!"). He is able to keep up on departmental "doings" by rendezvousing for lunch several times a year with longtime buddy, Keithoid Johnson. Jim stopped by the department in late March.

Valene Smith (1967-1998) Chico,
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Later this spring the National Association of Practicing Anthropologists (NAPA) will publish a Bulletin on Tourism. Valene has a chapter on *Careers in the Tourism Marketplace*. The information might be useful to you (or your children) in today's changing job market. One of the examples cited in the article is a former MA graduate (1982) from our department and well known instructor at Butte College, Virginia Wolf, who is working with the Mancos Canyon Ute tribe on sustainable tourism development. Some former students may recall Valene's motto: *Learn by Doing, Teach by Being*. Valene says she still is "learning" and spent time on all 7 continents this past year. She is getting up to speed with SONY's VAIIO system for digital photography and Power Point. "It is a Brave New World!" She looks forward to the Reunion in September 2003 and says, "Thanks for keeping in touch with us."

Staff

Mitch Keur, Phys Lab Supervisor
(July 2001)

Seems like Mitch has been busy forever coordinating the move and renovation of the Human Physical ID Lab from Butte Hall to Plumas. He is *very* pleased to have a new fume hood over there. Last summer he too spent time in the New York City's Medical Examiner's office working on the World Trade Center material. Mitch attended the annual meetings

of the Academy of Forensic Science this winter in Chicago.

Adrienne Scott, Museum Curator
(November 2001)

Adrienne received a BA in Anthropology from Indiana U-Bloomington and has been with us for over a year. Adrienne has been a tremendous asset to the Museum of Anthropology. She organizes and conducts many of the community outreach programs, especially for the elementary school children. She is in charge of the museum tours and the educational and cultural activities revolving around the current exhibit. Last March Adrienne and graduate student Melody Yeager had fun installing a mini-promotional exhibit of our museum in the downtown window of Washington Mutual bank (corner W. 2nd Street and Broadway). People passing by were amazed that there was another museum on campus that they had not yet visited. She and husband Philip have a 9 year old daughter Hannah.

Trudy Waldroop, Secretary (June 1980)

Trudy is still trying to keep her head above water with all the CMS/PeopleSoft training and new way of doing everything. Trudy will receive her 25 year employee pin in April at the annual Staff Council Awards Luncheon. A couple of months ago she hitched a ride with Dr. Schaefer's Museum Collection class for a day's field trip to Turtle Bay Museum in Redding where two former Museum Grads, Linda Ragsdale (BA 1993) and Julia Pennington (MA 2001), conducted the presentations and behind the scene tours. Trudy, husband, and pet made two trips to Seaside, OR last summer, not for fun but to visit her 95 year old grandmother. She eventually passed away in December. She and husband Dan plan to host another Pig Fest in May.

Alumni News

1960s

Ruth Gardner Begell (BA 1968; MA CSU-Sacramento) Vacaville, CA, Ruth@SchulzMuseum.org
Ruth is the Director of the Charles M. Schulz Museum and Research Center in Santa Rosa. "The past year has been more eventful than usual for the Begell family. Son Colin graduated from HSU with a degree in art. Husband Rick retired from the Contra Costa Fire Department. The Schulz Museum opened in August. Daughter Sasha got married in October. Things still haven't slowed down. Look forward to seeing everyone in September. Or you could stop by the museum and say hi anytime."

1970s

Barry Hewlett (BA 1971, MA 1977) Vancouver, WA, Hewlett@vancouver.wsu.edu
Barry is an anthropology professor with Washington State University. His paper, "Semes and Genes in Africa", was published in *Current Anthropology* last year. Barry organized a session at the International Conference on Hunter-Gatherers on H-6 children. As he wrote his Data Sheet he stated that he was on his way the next day to help WHO with the recent Ebola outbreak in the Republic of Congo.

Lucy Sperlin (was Skjelstad) (BA 1971, MA 1978) Chico, lucys@saber.net
"In retirement I'm staying active in museum work here in Chico, spending considerable time getting the Chico Museum Association's newly acquired Historic Patrick Ranch facility ready to open to the public sometime this year. With 2,000 items catalogued we've only just begun collection management tasks, and this summer we face the huge task of getting the "Old Patrick House" (the original 1850s Patrick Ranch house) moved two miles down the Midway on to our property which already has the Northgraves-Compton Mansion. For those of you who remember "4-Butte-1", the great film on archaeology, this is the property associated with that site and

most of the artifacts are now in our hands. It is soooo exciting....Other volunteer time is spent being a CASA (A Court Appointed Special Advocate or guardian *ad litem*) for a child in the dependency system. Short of being a foster parent, it's the best way I can think of to help kids who *really* need someone to advocate for them until they find a safe, loving family. I recommend it."

John David Moore (MA 1972) Quincy, CA, www.sugarpine@thegrid.net
John is still the owner and operator of Sugarpine Aviators in Quincy (since 1978). His latest achievement is a designation from the FAA to conduct multiengine flight tests. His happiest achievement last year was being honored by his dojo in Quincy with a Black Belt in Dan Zan Ryu Kodokan Jujitsu. That was before he got a total hip replacement operation (nothing to do with the martial arts). He is back working out again.

Paul M. Finnigan (BA 1973, MA Museum Studies Texas Tech, Archival Diploma University of Denver) Pacific Grove, CA
Paul is the Museum Curator for the City of Pacific Grove. He shares with us that his daughter, Maggie, is attending the Manhattan School of Music in New York.

Susan Wood-McKean (BA 1973) Boise, ID
Susan is looking forward to another alumni reunion in Chico: "I hope I can come!" (She hopes to see Valene Smith, Keith Johnson and Dr. Kowta). She has been keeping busy as a volunteer for her son's school, giving guest lectures on Idaho's history, including Lewis and Clark's bicentennial in Southern Idaho and showing her collection of Idaho Indian art in classrooms. Her collection contains many examples of beadwork, baskets, quillwork, tools, projectile points, and a few hides. "I have a gorgeous beaded buckskin (Indian made) dress, belt, high top moccasins and hair ties that I wear. The kids really enjoy the artifacts a lot!" She and her family still enjoy their time in the mountains at Stanley each summer.

John Nystrom (BA 1974) Durham, CA
Self-employed as a construction consultant, John reports, "We are proud of our middle grandson, Kaleb Smith, a junior at Fairhope High School in Alabama. His basketball team is 29-0 in the regular season. He plays a big role in their games. They are now on to the playoffs!" John's oldest grandson, Jared, is finishing his first year at Faulkner Community College as a Business major. "All of our family is doing well."

Richard V. Olson (BA 1974) Rimforest, CA
From 1994 to 1997, Richard worked as a Contract Administrator—Archaeologist for the Navajo Nation Historic Preservation Department in Window Rock, AZ. He is currently employed as a Staff Archaeologist-Planner for Caltrans, District 8 in San Bernardino, CA. He sends special hellos to Trudy, Dr. Kowta, Keith Johnson, and Frank Bayham.

James Jamison (BA 1977) Newark, CA
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Jim is a full-time Microfilm Specialist at Stanford University. He is married to Diane Graham, another CSU Chico graduate (1977). In 2002 Jim received his MA in English from San Jose State. Daughter Susan is enrolled at San Francisco State University.

William G. White (BA 1977, MA 1990 UV-Las Vegas) Henderson, NV
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Bill continues as the Senior Archaeologist for the Harry Reid Center for Environmental Studies at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, specializing as Historic Sites Archaeologist and in prehistoric rock art.

Bonnie Pendleton (BA 1978, MA 1981, PhD Texas A&M) Canyon, TX
bpendleton@mail.wtamu.edu
Bonnie chairs the advisory committees of seven graduate students at West Texas A&M University where she does research, teaches Economic Entomology, Field Crop Entomology, and Weeds and Weed Control, and coaches the entomology quiz team. This year, she co-authored 11 publications and made 34

presentations at professional meetings. She is Entomology Discipline Chair for the Sorghum Improvement Conference of North America. She also is Chair of the Student Awards Committee, Co-Chair of the Program Committee, and Co-Chair of the Local Arrangements Committee for the Southwestern Branch of the Entomological Society of America. She is Chair of the Student Research Conference at West Texas A&M University. She serves on the Board of Directors and writes the weekly newsletter for the Canyon Rotary Club and became a Rotary International Paul Harris Fellow. Bonnie was selected to be one of two entomologists in the U.S. to participate in the International Sorghum and Millet Collaborative Research Support Program funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development to fight hunger through education and collaborative research. She met with scientists and reviewed research in seven countries during three trips to Africa this year. She practiced French in Mali, West Africa, where the local sorghum is amazingly resistant to pests. She spent 24 hours with the wild animals and was charged by a male elephant in Kruger Park in South Africa. More than 150 INTSORMIL Principal Investigators from 26 countries met for a conference and toured the spectacular Ethiopian Highlands. She and the men pushed their broken bus up a dirt road at 10,000 feet and realized she was the only one of the group qualified to be "Lucy" if the group was not rescued in time.

Alberto Flores (BA 1979) Salinas, CA
Al works as a substitute teacher with the Salinas City Unified School District. He has been "married" to his music – piano and guitar. He soon will be taking a trip to Fort Lauderdale and the Bahamas. He has been considering applying for the Educator in Space program; "I still remember Dr. Lathrop in the Psychology Department, who taught me Research Design and Analysis (he was NASA's first Director of the Centrifuge)." Alberto has been spending his free time listening to "Coast to Coast AM" with George Noorey. He heard Art Bell's last broadcast on 12-31-02 before George took over. He also spends time on their website.

1980s

Michael Pendleton (MA 1980, PhD Texas A&M) Canyon, TX,
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Michael is employed full time as a Research Associate at the Microscopy & Imaging Center, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX. Mike writes, "While in Canyon, I passed all eight Automotive Service Excellence automotive technician tests and am now certified as a Master Automotive Mechanic. I predict that the scientific sector of our economy will become very stagnant in the next few years while future prospects in many automotive service careers seem very bright in comparison. How many people can pull their new cars in the garage and repair (or diagnose) problems with the power train control module? I gave a poster last year in Quebec, Canada at the Microscopy and Microanalysis Meetings and will give another this year in San Antonio, Texas. I hope to find a job that has a 10 month appointment (rather than full time all year) or a job near Canyon so I can be with wife Bonnie more than only on weekends."

Dorothy Wenzel (BA 1980, MA 1984)
Hollywood, MD,
echaney@chesapeake.net
Dorothy writes: "After years of working for museums, I decided to return to teaching at the high school level. I was certified (no pun intended) in Secondary Education-Social Studies for the State of Maryland in 2000 and immediately hired at Patuxent High School in Calvert County (the teacher shortage made the job search a cake walk). I am teaching Anthropology, Criminal Law, Juvenile Justice, and World History. It is light years away from my teaching days at Chico State but still very rewarding. I had some unexpected help with resources for my anthro class from Tom Johnson. After reading about his new winery Roshambo, in the *Clan Destiny*/alumni newsletter, my husband and I and another Chico couple met up with Tom in Healdsburg, CA, over the summer. Tom not only took us on a tour of his winery, but also took us around to some of the other vineyards in the area. What a treat. I highly recommend a visit. Husband Ed and I moved into a new house two days before Christmas and we are wallowing in its spaciousness. Who

knew that having a basement could rank so high in lifetime achievements? Now we have the space to accommodate our pack rat personalities. Too many years working in museums and having an archaeologist in the family. Everything is an important artifact."

Lori (Gridley) Porter (BA 1981) Sparks, NV
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Lori is a substitute teacher. She and husband Bill have two sons, Chris 18 and Matthew 15. "How time flies." Together they are enjoying their move to Reno and love the great outdoors.

Keith Light (BA 1982) Salem, OR
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Working full time as the Youth Employment Program Coordinator, Keith writes: "Hi all! This is the fourth job that I've had since moving to Oregon two years ago. I coordinate the "Out of School Youth Program," which is funded under the Workforce Investment Act."

Michael Findlay (MA 1984, Ph.D. 1992)
UOR) Paradise, CA

Wife Denise and Mike still live in lower Paradise. Mike has continued as Coordinator of the Anthropology Program at Butte Community College and enjoys his job. Last summer (2002), Mike participated in a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship that was held in Guatemala, Honduras and Southern Mexico (basically the Maya area). He was able to interact with some of the top notch Mayanists (e.g., Michael Coe, Victoria Bricker, Alfonso Morales, et al.) On a sad note, Denise's daughter, Michelle (Mike's step-daughter), passed away last April.

Laura (Dawson) Gillin (BA 1984)
Welches, OR

Laura writes: "This year our son started kindergarten. With this I have been able to volunteer more at the school. Both of our kids love school, and knowing that we are in a good school district with many people volunteering makes me want to give more time next year. I still like being a stay at home mom."

Steven Elmore (BA 1988, MBA 1995)

Golden Gate U.) Tehama,
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Currently employed with Zurich North America, Steve writes, "Not much change. I have relocated to northern California as a remote Executive General Adjuster handling northern CA insurance

claims covering workers' compensation, liability and property. Still single with no kids. A bucket load of pets though. Worked for a time for Warner Brothers. Not as glamorous as it seems."

1990s

Amanda Johnson (BA 1990 and Museum Studies Certificate, MA Western Washington University) Wheatland, CA amanda.e.johnson@aexp.com

Amanda continues as a Personal Financial Advisor for American Express Financial Advisors. She will be married eight years this Fall (2003). She reports that they have no pets or kids, and that she is "still trying to kill the houseplants." "Got a bunch of awards as an advisor this last year. I'm going to Chaska, MN, this spring for a conference. Wow. Chaska. Miss Chico, but love Wheatland!"

Mimi von Rotz (MA Anthropology 1990) Chico, mvonrotz@csuchico.edu

Mimi is currently working as an Academic Advisor for CSU-Chico. Since graduating from Chico, Mimi received her Pupil Personnel Credential from La Verne University. She has one granddaughter, Grace, 2 years old, and two more on the way in 2003.

Pam Nett Kruger (BA 1991, MA 1996 CSU-N) Granada Hills, babymakes3@earthlink.net

Pam is still staying at home to care for two daughters, Ava 4 and Talia 1. She says, "It is very fun watching them grow and discover. They are both quite active, and as a result I am frequently exhausted." They are again looking for a bigger house.

Shona Nelson (BA 1992) Livermore CA, shona@ix.netcom.com

Shona is still employed as a Lab Technician at The Clorox Company. She writes, "I haven't done much this year....I went to Disneyland as usual. I did go to Disneyworld for the first time. I met up with a few people who I met online who are 'Buffy the Vampire Slayer' fans. We all had a good time. I am still single hoping to meet someone but haven't had much luck in that area of my life."

Evlyn Turner (BA 1992) Paradise, CA Evlyn (84 years young) also received a second major in 1992 at Chico State in International Studies and in 1999 a third in Religious Studies. She attended a daughter's delayed graduation from Portland State University in August 2000.

Her daughter interrupted her educational career to be an "at-home" mother while her two sons were in school. One grandson is a student at Linfield College and the younger one has been accepted to Montana State in the fall. Evlyn is still busy trying to tame her 1/3 acre. She says, "I seem to find it very difficult to separate myself from CSU-Chico. Thanks to the 60+ program maybe I'll be here another 20 years!"

Geoffrey Kushnick (BA 1995, MA 1986 CSU Sacramento) Mission Viejo, CA kushnick@u.washington.edu
Geoffrey is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Washington and is currently working on his dissertation – a quantitative ethnography of parental decision-making and behavior amongst the Karo of North Sumatra, Indonesia funded by the National Science Foundation. His first trip to Sumatra was funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. He co-authored a paper published 2002 in *Evolution and Human Behavior*. Says he always thinks about CSU-Chico profs who made a difference in his life, and others.

Lynda Young (BA 1996 and Certificate in Museum Studies) Laguna Niguel, CA lyndayoung73@yahoo.com

Lynda is a Corporate Event Planner for Ambassadors Performance Group. She is getting married to Rob Weeg this June.

James Nelson (MA 1997) Oroville jim_nelson2urscorp.com

Under Personal Accomplishments on the Data Sheet (promotion, honors, travel, marriage, children...) Jim wrote, "Not yet. I am working on all of the above." Jim is currently a senior archaeologist with URS Corporation in Chico.

Kim Holanda Carpenter (MA 1998) Davis kim@farwestern.com

Kim has been an archaeologist for Far Western Anthropological Research Group for nearly five years. She is married to Tim Carpenter (MA December 2002). Together they have two children: Elsa (2 years old) and Ian (2 months old). They are exceptionally happy and fondly remember their time in Chico.

Tracy Hokaj (BA 1998) Goodyear, AZ tracyhokaj@hotmail.com

After graduating from CSU-C in May 1998 Tracy lived in a Hindu ashram for 6 months. It was an affiliate of the temple

she lived in India when she did her fieldwork. She then moved to San Francisco and worked for an entertainment company for one year. Unfortunately, the company closed. She then moved to Los Angeles and worked in the entertainment business there for 2-1/2 years. One event she worked at allowed her to meet Bob Weir, one of the members of the Grateful Dead. For those of you who knew Tracy while here you know what a huge fan she was and still is of the Grateful Dead. In the summer of 2002 she spent a month in Russia visiting a Hindu temple, also affiliated with the temple she lived in in India. Tracy wrote, "It was amazing to see the culture and religion of India being practiced in Russia. It was also amazing just being in Russia. I grew up during the cold war and never expected to be standing in Red Square." In the fall of 2002 Tracy went to Phoenix, Arizona to stay with her sister, brother, and their spouses and to spend time with her first nephew who was 2 months old at that time. While in Arizona she was offered a job teaching Intro to Social and Cultural Anthropology at Glendale Community College for spring 2003 semester where she has 26 students. She is also working at the college's library. This summer Tracy hopes to see some shows of 'The Dead' and the remaining members of the band.

Jeff Partain (BA 1998) Vista, CA jcameronp@aol.com

Jeff obtained his teaching credential from CSU-San Marcos and is a full-time teacher with the Vista Unified School District. Here is his data as he presented it.

*Baby – Isabella 16 months, lots of fun.

*House – Old, lots of work, many things to fix. No time though.

*Wife – Old, lots of work, many things to fix. No time though.

*Me – Tired, stressed, and getting fat due to lack of exercise.

*Future – Quiet beach in Baja. No hassles. Skinny. Beer and books. Surfing and teaching Isabella about Mesoamerica. I want to move back to Chico. Here is what I need from you or anyone. A place to live – FBC (free food, beer, and clothing). I also need to finish my Masters and you need to pay for that too. If you can take care of these things for me let me know. Give me a call.

Stacey (Felkins) Schlaman (BA 1998) Madison, AL, sschlaman@knology.net
Stacey is a Distribution Group Leader for Target Corporation. She has been married to Jeff, a former Chico grad, for over three years and they are expecting their first child in August.

Sara Keil Larson (MA 1999 Museum Studies) Incline Village, NV, slarsontahoe@aol.com

Sara is the Director of Museums for the North Lake Tahoe Historical Society (which runs the Gatekeeper's Museum, Marion Steinbach Indian Basket Museum (over 800 baskets!), and the Watson Cabin Living Museum in Tahoe City, CA. Sara got married in 2001 and also moved up to the North end of the lake.

Marlo M. Eakes Meyer (BA 1999, MA this spring) Charlottesville, VA, mme4a@virginia.edu

Employed full time as the Pediatric Education Coordinator for the School of Medicine, University of Virginia, Marlo writes, "During the work day I run around coordinating 120 third year medical students as they filter through their 12 week pediatric rotation. After work, I do what makes the work day tolerable, I write proposals for grants to fund a local non-profit women's organization. After a year and a half exposure to the University of Virginia's anthropology department I remain steadfast in my opinion that the Department of Anthropology at CSU, Chico is unique and special."

Mim Roeder (BA 1999) Chico, mimology@aol.com

Still working on her MA in Anthropology and her BA in Studio Arts, painting emphasis, Mim continues to spend every day on the CSU-Chico campus. She also spends her time sitting on the Board of Directors for the 1078 Gallery, a local non-profit art gallery interested in showing artwork from artists of regionally and culturally diverse backgrounds. In 2002, Mim was hired on at the Northeast Information Center, as a lab technician.

2000

Matthew Meyer (MA 2001)

Charlottesville, VA

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Matt writes, "Well, I'm still in the Anthropology Ph.D. program at U.Va.

This is the second semester of my second year. If I successfully pass the "Paper and Presentation" I'll be advanced to Candidacy status. The "P&P" is like a comprehensive exam, only it's in the form of a paper that we write in consultation with our committees, then present it to the entire department for praise and criticism. Last summer I did my first "real" fieldwork. I spent two months in the Acre region of the far western Brazilian Amazon. This region was the heart of the rubber country that boomed in the decades around the turn of the 20th century. The Brazilian ayahuasca churches, which I am studying, were formed by people who migrated to the Acre territory to work in rubber extraction. Ayahuasca is a South American hallucinogenic brew of indigenous origin. I spent a month in a forest community formed two decades ago by members of one of the ayahuasca churches. During the June festival season many people from other countries, where the church has expanded in recent years, come on pilgrimages to this village. While I was there I got to witness and participate in the festival celebrations. I met a number of Americans and Canadians, as well as people from Germany, Spain, Argentina, even Japan! I am interested to find out how the church has gone from being a local version of Catholicism to some kind of international spiritual center. I plan to return to the Acre again this summer for a slightly more formal, but still preliminary field project. Charlottesville has had its harshest winter in about a decade. We have dealt with daytime temps in the teens and as much as ten inches of snow at a time. As Sacramento Valley transplants it is all still too new to us to be a drag. As spring rolls around, we miss our nice porch down on E. 4th Street and the almond blossoms in the orchards. Best wishes to everyone in Chico!"

Jason Wiersema (MA 2001) Austin, TX jmwiersema@yahoo.com

Jason is a Ph.D. candidate at Texas A&M and teaching physical anthropology there. He worked twice in the past year as a forensic anthropologist for the New York City Medical Examiners Office on the World Trade Center material. Eric Bartelink (MA 2001) and Jason were selected as two of three anthropologists

contracted to complete the Anthropology Verification Project during which all of the remains from the World Trade Center disaster were re-inventoried and re-analyzed in cooperation with the existing anthropologist Amy Zelson (MA 1998).

Angela (Pearce) McGrew (MA Museum Studies 2002) Brooklyn, NY angelamcgrew@earthlink.net
Employed full time at the National Museum of the American Indian of the Smithsonian Institution, Angie has been a conservator for almost 7 years now. She and her husband, Ashley (also at NMAI as the Collections Manager) have a beautiful and happy toddler named Theron. Though New York City is still in recovery, they love it as much as they ever did and are in the process of buying their building in Brooklyn. Angie would like to thank Prof. Keith Johnson and Dr. Charlie Urbanowicz for helping her coordinate the completion of her thesis over the long distance. And special thanks to Karen Johnson for knowing what babies like.

In Memoriam

Sean McKeown (MA 1973)

We regret to have learned and share with you that Sean died on July 11, 2002 at the age of 58, only two years after receiving a heart transplant. He is survived by his wife Wendy and their two daughters. Sean spent 20 years as a curator of reptiles at the Honolulu Zoo and the Chafee Zoological gardens in Fresno. He wrote several books and more than 100 articles on the care and maintenance of reptiles and amphibians. Besides his main occupation of herpetology, Sean continued throughout his life to pursue his passion for anthropology, especially Native American history and cultures. He specialized in Native American basketry and was a consultant on Chumash basketry for the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. He and his family attended our 1995 reunion. He will be missed by all.

Yes, I would like to assist the Department of Anthropology in their facility needs or with a student scholarship. Here's my donation:

\$500 ____ \$200 ____ \$100 ____ \$50 ____ \$25 ____ Other _____

I would like my funds designated to:

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