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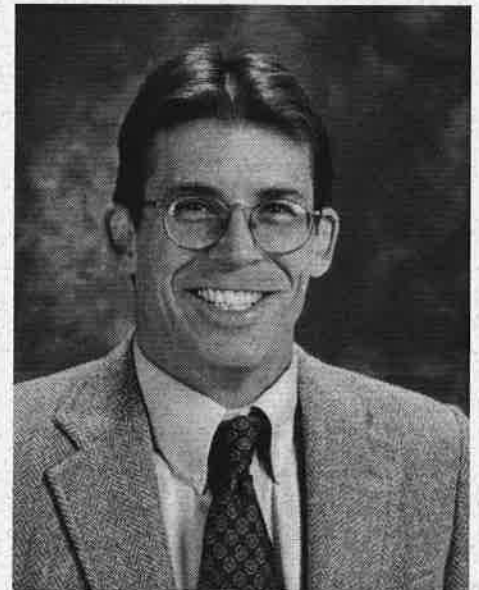
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## **Letter from the Chair**

Greetings honored Anthropology Alumnae and Friends of the Department,

As I write this it is a blustery, rainy day in what passes for "winter" here in Chico. Rain is pouring down and the creek running through campus is a raging torrent. I keep thinking, "It's good for the aquifer. It's good for the aquifer." Indeed. Just as the rain is good for the aquifer, and all the green things that grow, you will be happy to know that your department is also healthy and growing. And staying healthy in these tough fiscal times is quite an accomplishment. It has been a memorable year for the Department: starting off in September with our 40 year reunion, organized by the indefatigable Keith Johnson. Somebody should tell that guy he is retired! I think he works harder now than when he was chair. (Just kidding, Keith.) Anyway, Keith did a fantastic job of organizing a super get-together for alumnae from all over, as you can see from the photos in this issue of Clan Destiny. Our next reunion may not be until the Big One: the 50 year anniversary of the Department in 2013. Or maybe Keith will get inspired and we can have a 45th year anniversary reunion. In any case, you don't have to wait for a big bash, come on and visit us any time and see what's going on. You're always welcome.



Other memorable milestones for the Department include the move of the Northeast Information Center and Archeological Research Program from the third floor of Langdon Hall to nice new quarters at 25 Main in a downtown Chico office building purchased by the University. ARP and the NEIC have real nice space there, overlooking Chico Creek: a definite step up from dingy old Langdon. Greg White (now Dr. Greg) has the contract archeology program ramped up and has brought in the very able Lisa Westwood to help handle the volume of work ARP is generating. As always, ARP provides tons of work opportunities for our students, a real boon for the department and our students.

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The move of ARP and the NEIC from Langdon marks the first steps in a migration that will have all anthropology-affiliated programs out of that building in the next couple of years. Next to go will be the Archaeology and Zooarch labs, which will move into Plumas Hall (next door to the Human ID Lab). We expect that move to happen this summer, depending on the pace of the university's construction crew. Then the Museum of Anthropology will be moving, perhaps in Summer 05, to wonderful new space in Plumas. Still, the epicenter of the Department will remain in beautiful Butte Hall until further notice.

As always, you are encouraged to read up on your favorite faculty members in Clan Destiny. I'll just give a couple of highlights here. Carolyn Heinz is back from her immersion into 17th Century Colonial America and appears none the worse for wear. In fact, she is facing the scores of students in Magic, Witchcraft and Religion with new intensity; could being so close in time and space to the Salem witchcraft trials have rubbed off on Carolyn? Read all about her adventures elsewhere in Clan Destiny.

We've got Frank Bayham back in the teaching saddle full time again, since



he abandoned the Chair to li'l ole me. Frank also had to stare down some hired guns from Far Western Environmental, a contract archaeology firm,

in an old fashioned intellectual shootout over the interpretation of the archaeological record in California and the Great Basin regarding the prehistoric hunting patterns. Seems

those antelope interlopers from Far Western were challenging prey choice models based on optimal foraging theory – fightin' words in Frank Country. So a posse of archaeology graduate students, headed up by deputy Deanna Grimstead, invited the Far Western archaeologists up to Chico for a confabulation attended by lots of folks from UC-Davis and Chico, where Frank and his rivals debated the matter. No real shots fired or even fisticuffs. All kidding aside it was a great event, hosted at the new ARP facility, and attended by Bruce Winterhalder and more actual and aspiring PhDs than you can shake a stick at. Thanks to Deanna and her co-conspirators in organizing the event.

There's lots more that I could talk about, but maybe you should just read on. I'll close with my standard appeal for money, money, money to support the wonderful things that are happening here. We will definitely need money, and lots of it, to prepare the new space for the Museum when it moves. We view the move as a chance to really raise the profile of the Museum, which is in the ever-so-capable hands of faculty members Stacy Schaefer and Georgia Fox and community oriented Curator, Adrienne Scott, who is doing great things with the Museum's outreach programs. The Museum program is growing by leaps and bounds in terms of student interest, and with your help, we can make the Museum even better. And of course, we can always use money for things like supporting student research (through the Art Lehmann Scholarship Fund) and for things like upgrading the rickety computers, intensively used by our students, in the Ethnographic Lab. Any help you can provide will be much appreciated as State funds are rarer than hen's teeth these days. Our sincere thanks to you who have made a donation this past year!

Money or not, please stay in touch, let us know how you are doing. Send pictures. We just got some adorable photos of Matt Meyer (MA 2000) and Marlo Eakes Meyer's (BA 1999, MA 2002) new baby girl, Grace, in the mail. We'd love to see your baby face, too!

*Take care, from the Chair, Bill Loker*

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## *Other Department News*

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Honored Students. Not only was **Molly Barnard** (BA 2004) selected as the Department's Outstanding Honor Student for 2003-04 but she was selected as the College of Behavioral and Social Science Outstanding Student. **Marc Greenberg's** MA thesis (PREHISTORIC WARFARE IN CALIFORNIA'S CENTRAL NORTH COAST RANGE) received honors as the Outstanding Thesis by BSS. A scholarship, funded by alumni donations to the Annual Fund, was awarded to grad student **Susan McPherson**. She will be conducting MA research on cultural material remains in Eureka, Nevada in order to compare the ethnic identity suggested by the cultural materials with the ancestral heritage suggested by that individual's skeletal remains.

The grant from the Anthropology Department Annual Fund will make it possible to complete the research needed for my thesis. I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to alumni who have contributed to the fund and appreciation for their generosity.

Susan McPherson

Alum **Amy Zelson Mundorff** (MA 1998) who works in the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in New York

City co-authored an article "Anthropological Perspectives on the Forensic Response at the World Trade Center Disaster" published in *General Anthropology*, Fall 2003 issue.

The department was designated by the president of the university as a High Quality Learning Environment in 2003-04 in recognition of our academic excellence. Along with a beautiful plaque that was presented during a campus wide luncheon, the department also received \$5000 that will go to support departmental programs and student scholarships. During the academic year the department was conducting two faculty searches: a new tenure track position in medical anthro and a one year temporary position to replace Willey on his leave next year. Recently our position in medical anthro was terminated, for the second year in a row, due to severe pending budget cuts.

After 10 years as the 17<sup>th</sup> CSU-C president Manuel Esteban retired last June. He and his wife still plan to reside in Chico. On February 2, 2004 new CSU-C president Paul J. Zingg reported to duty. He was the former Provost and VP of Academic Affairs at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo.

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## *Chico Anthropological Society*

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The Chico Anthropological Society (CAS) got off to a good start in the fall of 2003 with both fun and educational activities. These included an overnight trip to a lighthouse hostel, two finals study sessions complete with pizza and soda, and a very well attended discussion with former anthropology chair and current

graduate school coordinator, Frank Bayham, on how to apply to graduate school. Several found that last activity particularly helpful. This school year CAS has also held a couple of pizza and movie nights. During those evenings it became apparent that the department is in need of a new VCR. So, one of the members is diligently seeking a free VCR/DVD combo from local merchants. In addition to giving CAS a working VCR, this will increase the resources available to all Anthro-



pology students in the Ethno Lab, where the machine will be kept. Over the last couple of years, CAS members have really stepped up to the table by volunteering their time in the Ethno Lab, where all students taking classes in the Anthropology Department have access to various resources, including computers, research books and videos shown in their classes.

While the California budget crisis has intensified, leaving our department with ever more limited funding, the demand for paper for the printing of downloads necessary for doing research and the printing of class papers has increased in the lab. In order to reduce the strain on department resources, CAS voted to buy paper and to sell it at a penny a page. Response has been positive and the honor system appears to be providing CAS with enough money for this program to be mostly self-sustaining; helping our fellow students with low cost quality printing and giving our department a chance to reallocate money previously spent on paper. A yummy fundraiser this past

semester is the selling of Krispy Creme donuts. In April CAS will sponsor a department BBQ, and a trip to the Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology at UC Berkeley.

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## *Faculty News*

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### **Frank Bayham (1985)**

During the past year, Frank made the transition from serving as department chair back to teaching a wide array of classes - with the help of a sabbatical for which he will be forever grateful. He extends his heartfelt thanks to Bill Loker for ably taking over and shepherding the department. Not that the faculty, or the students are sheep! Frank reconnected with his primary research interest of the past few years, zooarchaeology and social conflict, by visiting and conferring with colleagues at the University of Utah where former alum, **Jack Broughton** (BA1986, MA 1988), is now professor and another former alum, **Kelly Beck** (MA 2001), a PhD candidate. Frank gave a lecture on some of the social dynamics influencing 'Large Game Exploitation in NE California.' He also re-engaged with colleagues in the SW from the University of Arizona and initiated a study of 'feasting' at a Hohokam platform mound site north of Tucson. They examined the bone material in the 16<sup>th</sup> summer field course in Zooarchaeology at Eagle Lake and also during the fall 2003 semester in Anth 278 (Zooarch Verb. ID Lab). Current graduate student, **Deanna Grimstead**, and he will be presenting an invited paper at the Society for American Archaeology annual meetings in Montreal in a symposium entitled 'Power and

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

## The 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion

**It was a huge success!  
In case you don't recognize  
everyone, those who  
attended were:**

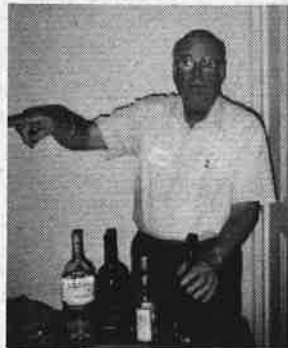


*Joanne (Cannon) Adams* MA 1979  
*Tammara Askea* BA 2001  
*Ruth Gardner Begell* BA 1968 and husband Rick  
*Beverly Chiñas* Instructor 1969 – 1994  
*Michael Findlay* MA 1992 and wife Denise  
*Georgia Fox* Instructor since 2002  
*Nancy Garr* BA 1989, MA 1994 and husband Jay  
*Kuri Gill* MA 1998  
*Amanda Johnson* BA 1990 and husband Jim Muck  
*Emily Johnson* BA 2001  
*Keith Johnson* Instructor 1963 – 2003 and wife Karen  
*Sara Keil* MA 1998 and husband Evan Larson  
*Paula Kenyon* MA 1993  
*Peter Koronakos* MA 1995 and spouse of Paula Kenyon  
*Makoto "Mark" Kowta* Instructor 1969 – 2003  
*Mary Kowta* MA 1987 and spouse of Makoto Kowta  
*Jarith Kraft* MA 1998 and husband Jack  
*Sharon Lehmann* spouse of deceased instructor Art Lehmann  
*Tom Leonardi* MA 1989 and wife Priscilla  
*Bill Loker* Instructor since 1996  
*Richard Markley* BA 1978  
*Turhon Murad* Instructor since 1972 and wife Jackie  
*James Myers* Instructor 1964–1994 and wife Lynn  
*Sarah (Heigho) Nunes* MA 1983  
*Stacy Schaefer* Instructor since 1999  
*Nan Simpler* BA 1978  
*Gail Smart* BA 1977  
*Lucy (Skjelstad) Sperlin* MA 1980  
*Roz Squair* BA 1973  
*Evlyn Turner* BA 1992  
*Charlie Urbanowicz* Instructor since 1973 and wife Sadie  
*Nancy Valente* MA 1998  
*Trudy Waldroop* Department Secretary since 1980 and husband Dan  
*Bruce Welden* MA 1990 and guest Skye Gavin



Reunion Hosts Keith and Karen Johnson

## The 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion



## 2003 Graduates

**BA:** Christen Archer, Jennifer Bradley, Julie Clifton, Megan Conn (Outstanding Anthro Honor Student), Jonathan Connolly, Kevin Dalton, April Edwards, Maria Gonzalez-Johnson, Joseph Guillory, David Hedley, R. Travas Hunter, Nina Kaplan, Matthew McCoy, Craig Moraes, Marissa Mulholland, Debra Schultz, Starla Smock, Jennifer Styer, Cynthia Wright, Edith Voss.

**MA (Spring 2003):** Alex DeGeorgey - "A Geoarchaeological Model for Identifying Paleo-Archaic Sites in the Cashe Creek Area, Lake County, California"

Erin T. Dwyer - "Plant Remains as Evidence for Subsistence Change at Tomato Patch: A Contact Period Kashaya Pomo Site, Fort Ross, California"

Jeremy Haines (F 2002) - "Ethnicity and Historic Native American Architecture on the Coconion Plateau, Arizona"

Patricia Likins - "Seasonal Movement in Nomlaki Ethnographic Territory: Testing a Regional Model"

Hide Nishizawa - "Reading the Cultural Meaning: An Application of Interpretive Archaeology to Shell Artifacts from Northwestern California"

Denise L. Thomas - "Method and Seasonality: Assessing the Archaeological Application of Dental Increment Analysis using a Bison Assemblage"

**MA (Fall 2003):** John Burge - "Archaeological Looting and Site Vulnerability: An Ishi Wilderness Study"

Marc Greenberg - "Prehistoric Warfare in California's Central North Coast Range"

Erin Potter (with Distinction) - "Resource Conflict Along the Western Slopes of the Southern Cascade Mountains, Ishi Wilderness, California"

Elizabeth Kallenbach (Museum Studies Option, with Distinction) - "Native California Basket weaving, Museum Collections, and Heritage Preservation"

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## *In and Around the Facilities*

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### *Archaeological Research Program*

The year 2003 was a busy one for the ARP staff: among other things they moved from Langdon Hall to 25 Main



*ARP staff Kristina Crawford and Phil Schmidt work on current projects at the new offices at 25 Main.*

Street and purchased a large volume of metal shelving and archive quality storage media, enough material to convert the Department's curation building to a completely new format. Over the past two years, student curation assistants have been hired to convert older collections from the open plywood storage trays to curation-quality storage in 4- to 6-mil zip-top bags and acid-free boxes. They have completed the conversion up to and including Accession 48, the work is ongoing. The objective is to meet all requirements of 36 cfr 79 "Curation of Federally Owned and Managed Collections," and ARP anticipates meeting this objective by the end of the year. One happy by-product of the conversion is they have recovered approximately 800 box-spaces, and thus can continue to curate, for a fee, collections derived

from archaeological work conducted for state and federal lead agencies. On a final note, ARP welcomes the addition of staff member, **Lisa Westwood**, who has been brought on to maintain and increase the volume of contract work carried out by ARP. Welcome, Lisa!



The Society for California Archaeology (SCA) Business Office is currently housed at APR's beautiful new offices and headed by **Greg White** and Assistant Manager **Melinda Pacheco** (BA 2000). The SCA office has successfully managed a burgeoning Society membership, assisted in the 2003 Annual Meeting in Sacramento, and oversaw production and distribution of 4 SCA Newsletters and 3 Proceedings papers. Greg and Melinda also oversaw the development of the SCA's new home on the web: [www.SCAHome.org](http://www.SCAHome.org). Check it out!

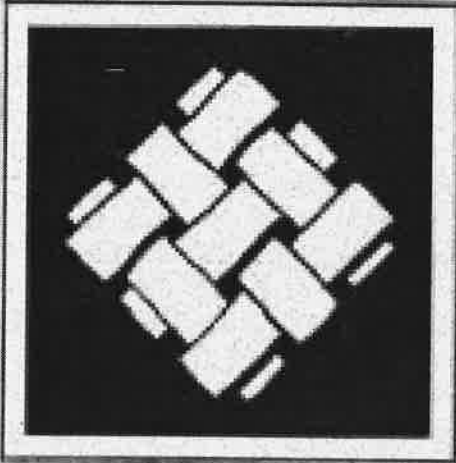
### *Dental Increment Laboratory*

Projects continue unabated at the Dental Increment Laboratory. **Tamara Leher** (graduate student) is currently working on her thesis which considers the potential for dental increments to identify age in humans. Tamara has compiled one of the more extensive bibliographies on dental increment analysis in humans and her work will be a significant contribution age studies and human osteology. **Isaac Vega** (BA 2003) looked at a large sample of hartebeest (kongoni) mandibles collected by Dr. **Christopher O'Brien** in Kenya and developed criteria for determining tooth wear (and age) of these animals in archaeological sites.

Dr. O'Brien is continuing his research on aboriginal adaptations in the Ishi

Wilderness area of the Lassen National Forest. Very little published research is available for the area and the few interpretations available are based heavily on analogies with the ethnographic record. Increment data on deer age and season of death, combined with skeletal part representation data from several sites in the region suggests a settlement system and adaptations that are quite different from what has generally been assumed. Chris is also working on several projects outside northern California, including an analysis of seasonal site use for several sites in Gachupin-Brackett Canyon area of New Mexico and season and age analysis of deer remains from early and middle Archaic sites along the central coast of California.

As one of the few dedicated dental increment research laboratories in the world, our Dental Increment Laboratory is gathering increasing international attention. Dr. Yin Lam of the University of Victoria in British Columbia will be sending samples from Middle Paleolithic sites in South Africa for season and age analysis. Last summer, Dr. Lubov Golovanova of the Laboratory of Prehistory, St. Petersburg, contacted Dr. O'Brien regarding season and age analysis of mammal fauna from the Middle Paleolithic cave sites of Mezmaiskaya and Matuzka in the Caucasus region of Russia. Dr. Golovanova's analysis of microstratigraphy at the sites suggests regular seasonal use of these sites by their Neandertal occupants, a hypothesis she is hoping to solidify with solid seasonal data provided by the Dental Increment Laboratory. Samples from these sites are currently on their way from Russia to our lab here on campus. Chris and students will also be looking at late period and Early Iron Age faunal tooth samples from western Tanzania for seasonal increments and age at death information.



## Museum of Anthropology

The artifacts of the cultures and people that document 10,000 years of human habitation in Chico and surrounding areas are on display at the Museum's current exhibit, *Just Beneath the Surface: The Archaeology of Chico, California*. Once again, the students in the anthropology exhibit and design course, ANTH 288B, have transformed the museum gallery space. This spring marks the first time Co-Director Dr. **Georgia Fox** has had the opportunity to oversee the research and installation of a Museum of Anthropology exhibit. Dr. Fox worked closely with Guest Curator, **Nette Martinez**, to put together this wonderful exhibition. Dr. Fox and Dr. **Stacy Schaefer** (also Co-Director) will alternate oversight of the spring



*Display from the Museum's current exhibit Just Beneath the Surface: The Archaeology of Chico, California.*

exhibit every two years as a way of sharing the responsibilities of directorship.

To augment the exhibit as always we offer cultural events and lectures. This year we are pleased to have Director Emeritus **Keith Johnson** delve deeper into the theme of Chico archaeology with a slide show of past expeditions he has led. **Kevin Dalton**, supervisor of the Human ID Lab on campus, will talk about zooarchaeology's contribution to archaeology. Rounding out our series, local collector Randy Taylor will tell the history of bottle making in the Chico area using examples from his own collection.

World Explorations, the museum's once-a-month lecture and travel series, is going strong with a steady following of devoted attendees. Our lecturers are from campus or the community of Chico. They have taken us to villages of Papua New Guinea; taught us the archaeo-astronomy practices of the people in Chaco Canyon, NM; shown us an orphanage in Nepal; and revealed the wonderful world of ethnobotany. Still to come this semester, we will discover the Amazon, meet a nurse from Guatemala, and travel to China with an English language instructor.

What could be more fun than a Sunday afternoon at the Museum of Anthropology? How about an ice cream sundae afternoon at the museum? Started last February and continuing through March and April, the Museum will be open on the fourth Sunday of the month from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. We will have four make-and-take craft tables with fun activities for children. So far the word is getting out that the Museum of Anthropology is a great place for community gatherings! Next time you're in the area stop by the Museum, they'd love to see you.

## Northeast Information Center

Northeast Information Center personnel are settling in to their new location at 25 Main Street. They are happy to finally have windows, not to mention being right across the street from Upper Crust! While the move to 25 Main was traumatic (only in terms of number of boxes to pack, about 200!), they are very happy to be in their new location, which provides more space for the (seemingly) boundless supply of records and reports housed at the Information Center.



Currently, NEIC staff consists of Dr. **William Loker**, **Amy Huberland**, **Lucia Ledwith**, **Jarith Kraft**, **Adrienne Slattery**, **Amber Hynes**, **Debra Schultz**, and **Mim Roeder**. They also have two interns this semester, Colleen Hudson and Patrick Riordan. Besides organizing the existing site record and report files, they are busy accessioning new records and reports on a daily basis for their 11-county region. The center also conducts research (record searches and project reviews) and provides recommendations for planners, archaeologists, private individuals and firms as well as public agencies with responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

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For the past year, the NEIC has also been working on a GIS program. The goal of this project is to convert historical resource record and report location data on all 1200 USGS 7.5' base maps housed at the NEIC to electronic format in ARCGIS. Along with creating this GIS shape file



database, all resource records and reports will (someday!) be scanned to PDF files that can also be accessed electronically. Use of a GIS-based system will increase the speed with which large record searches can be completed and should simplify the process of adding or changing data. Scanning records and reports to electronic files will provide ease of access to those files, high-quality copies for researchers and an electronic back up for the NEIC historical resource records and reports.

The Northeast Information Center is also open to students and other qualified individuals conducting historical or archaeological research. They house records and reports covering the following counties: Butte, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama and Trinity.



### **Faculty News**

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Economy at the Marana Mound Site.' This coming summer, Frank will not be offering the zooarchaeology field

course for the first time in 16 years. Instead, he will be holding a field conference at the Eagle Lake Field Station for zooarchaeology professionals, practitioners and students. He says it's time to reflect on the state of the subdiscipline.

Frank's family is well and his 3 kids are growing. For those who might remember his son, Jude, he is now a junior here at Chico State and will be turning 21 this summer. He seems to be having a rewarding experience at Chico State given his good grades and the amount of snowboarding he is able to do. He drops in to see Frank sometimes. Daughter, Holly, a senior at Chico High will be attending Chico State as well next year. Frank has urged them both to go elsewhere but they just could not stand be separated from their Dad. "Right!" His youngest, Mary, is in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and will be getting braces on her teeth today. Frank says, "I don't think she needs them because she is so beautiful."

**Claire "Ginger" Farrer (1985)**  
clairerfarrer@aol.com

Ginger was awarded the Joseph Gordon Prize in Southwest Studies, for a significant body of work on the SW, by The Colorado College that included a \$1000 check, a college medal and a certificate. She chaired and organized an invited session at the American Folklore Society's October meeting in Albuquerque with all four panelists being Native Americans who spoke of tradition and access (or lack of it) to tribal knowledge by outsiders. Ginger says she enjoyed returning to Chico in Fall of 2003. [She has FERP'ed and only teaches at CSU-C in the fall semesters. News just received from Ginger: she has decided to retire from CSU-C and will not be back to teach.]

**Georgia Fox (2002)**

Assistant Professor Georgia Fox has been wearing several different hats these days. The new conservation lab

opened this past fall, with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Dean Jeanne Thomas, Department Chair William Loker, Department Administrative Coordinator Trudy Waldroop, and various students from the ANTH 265 class, Conservation of Archaeological and Ethnographic Resources, showed up to celebrate the lab's inauguration. The Museum of Anthropology has been abuzz with activity, especially after the installation of the 2003-2004 student-created exhibit, "Just Beneath the Surface: The Archaeology of Chico, California." Under the direction of Georgia and Guest Curator Antoinette Martinez, the show features exhibits based on the various archaeological excavations and surveys conducted in Chico and the surrounding area. In addition to these activities, Georgia just published a book chapter in *Values and Valuables: From the Sacred to the Symbolic* published by Altamira Press in 2004, and in November, presented a paper at UCLA's Cotsen Institute, at the Complex Societies Conference.

**Carolyn Brown Heinz (1997)**

From May through October, 2003, Carolyn Heinz had a rather unusual fieldtrip for a cultural anthropologist. Rather than going abroad, she went back in time—to the year 1628, to be exact. She was a member of a 24-person colony founded on the Maine coast by a joint stock company from Bristol, England. At least, that was the world that this PBS experiment in "experiential history" was attempting to reproduce. Though given a biographical story as a "privately educated" woman of the time, her lot in life was still to serve her man and household, which involved spending most of 5 months keeping a fire going under 2 huge iron pots boiling with pease porridge or dodgy cod. The only intellectual activity allowed her was keeping a journal by quill and ink on period quarto paper; this journal is



going to get turned into a book within the next year. Carolyn's husband, Donald Heinz, was the lay pastor of the colony and eventually became governor (but that's the secret reserved for episode 5). The historical accuracy of the colony's material culture was supported by Plimouth Plantation, which built the thatched cottages, provided authentic food resources (barrels of salted cod, pork, and beef) and trained the colonists in period cookery, woodworking, animal husbandry, and social and religious culture. Colonists were filmed 4 days a week, and the 700+ hours of footage have been edited down to 8 one-hour episodes which premiere on PBS on May 17, 2004.

#### Bill Loker (1996)

Bill has been busy, busy, busy chairing the department (see "Letter from Chair"), teaching a few classes here and there and trying to move forward on Honduras-based research. This academic year marked a couple of milestones in Bill's research in the El Cajón region of Honduras. He published an article in *Current Anthropology* summarizing that research, "Dam Impacts in an Era of Globalization: using multiple methods to document social and environmental change in Honduras." And his long-awaited book presenting that research in all its gory details was published in February 2004. Titled, "Changing Places: Environment, Development and Social Change in Rural Honduras," (Carolina Academic Press) the book is available on Amazon.com (J) where it is number 1,423,890 on the hit parade and rising fast! Bill plans to assign the book to every class he teaches, whether it is relevant or not. Frankly, he could use the royalty monies! This article and book cover research Bill carried out while on sabbatical in 1998 when the devastating Hurricane Mitch hit Honduras. In 2001, he was on

sabbatical starting a new research project in the Copán Valley in Honduras. And we all remember what happened in 2001. Maybe Bill should just stay home! .... Not a chance. In fact, he was back in Honduras in 2003 doing follow-up research there and he recently submitted an article to *Human Ecology* on the rise and fall of the tobacco industry in Copán and its social and environmental effects.

Closer to home, Bill has a son (Will) who turns 21 this year and is working on a degree at UCSB. A younger son (Nathaniel) is in sixth grade at Hooker Oak Elementary (school cheer is "Go Nuts!") and his daughter (Savannah) is learning how to drive (watch out on the roads!) and plugging away as a sophomore at Chico High. And Bill's lovely wife, Sally, is working in computer mapping at the Geographic Information Center on campus. The younger two kids accompanied Bill to Honduras last summer where they learned how to scuba dive in the Bay Islands and the Spanish word, "cerveza," from Dad.

As Chair, Bill has had to let go of some of his teaching duties, including the much maligned but always hated, ANTH 285, Formal Methods. That course is now being taught by P. Willey who promises to "tame the beast," whatever that means. Dr. Willey consults periodically on the teaching of this class with Bill, who slips him diabolical hints on how best to torture the students. (As if P. Willey needs advice on THAT score!) Bill happens to be chair during some tough budget times. Only through the incredible hard work and good nature of the anthropology faculty is the department able to maintain its commitment to student success. The Anthro faculty accuse Bill of being a slave driver. Anthro students say that's no news to them! On a final note, send money. Student fees are going up. Our students need support in the

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## *In and Around Chico*

Chevy's restaurant abruptly closed their doors last fall. Employees were stunned at the sudden closure. New stores to Chico opened their doors this past year: Bed, Bath and Beyond; Cost Plus; Krispy Creme Donuts; and lots of boutiques and specialty shops downtown. The former Senator Theatre and the municipal building are trying to be remodeled. A high rise office building is going up at the south end of the block from the Senator. More and more less trees. Old dying oak and elm trees are being removed in and around Chico. The elm trees in the City Park between Main and Broadway were removed. We miss the trees but is nice to have a sunny downtown park. What to do, or rather, how to remove the toxic waste at the old dump on Humboldt, off Hwy 32 and Bruce Road, has been a huge environmental issue with the City Council. Any method discussed to date will cost the city millions of dollars. Another controversy the city council and community is dealing with the request to expand Wal-Mart (on Forest Avenue) to include a grocery store. More subdivisions are springing up: north, south, east, and west.

Another university opened its doors in Chico, University of Phoenix opened a facility downtown. It's giving Chico State a run for its money in the distance-ed field. Halloween and St. Patty's Day were relatively quiet this year. Halloween saw more police than revelers on the street. And Spring Break is designed to fall during St. Patty's Day so students are mostly out of town, and somehow that cuts down on the public drinking – go figure. And Chico finished at or near the top of the list in terms of increase in housing prices nationwide. More Bay Area refugees are seeking the "good life" in not-so small town Chico.

form of scholarships and research assistantships. Your support and continued affection for your alma mater is very much appreciated.

**Antionette "Nette" Martinez (1999)**

Nette received a super-prestigious post-doctoral fellowship from the Ford Foundation to advance her research on the history of inter-ethnic relationships in early post-contact California and particularly the role of indigenous women in mediating cultural change. As part of her fellowship she has traveled to several conferences to meet with other Ford Fellows, as well as being in residence at UC Berkeley where she is busy researching and writing. Look for a full account of Nette's exploits in the next *Clan Destiny*.

**Turhon Murad (1972)**

Turhon continues to teach and work on forensic cases but is not certain how much longer the teaching will continue. He wants to retire soon! Maybe next spring. Wife Jackie continues as an Evaluator for the university and is doing more traveling to assist foreign students. She likes it! Oldest son Mark owns his own auto repair shop in Chico and other son Todd is a student at Chico State, and thinks he wants to teach math. All is well and everyone is too busy. Turhon hopes all is well with our former students and he would like to encourage them all to stay in touch. "The department is not the same without each of you and our older retired faculty. Sometimes the only way to relive the good times is to remind one another of what we had."

**Christopher O'Brien (Adjunct 1996)**

Thanks to a 2004 CSU Research Grant, Chris is returning to Tanzania this summer to continue archaeological work in the Rukwa Valley with colleague Dr. Tony Waters of the Sociology Department at CSUC. Excavations conducted by Chris in



*Excavating at Kibaoni, Tanzania.  
Notice the use of Landrover engine bug  
mesh for screening.*

2002 at several sites in the region demonstrated the presence of well preserved features, artifact assemblages and environmental data. Ethnohistorical data obtained by Tony Waters suggested these sites were occupied very late in time, perhaps only within the last two centuries, and that the primary occupants were the immediate ancestors of the Mpimbwe people living in the area today. The 2002 excavations were limited to determining the archaeological potential of the sites and were not designed to answer specific research questions. However, the significant data generated by the first excavations have prompted a range of research issues related to methodological and theoretical issues in archaeology, East African prehistory, and may even have some implications for Californian archaeology.

Perhaps not surprisingly, expectations about the nature of these sites are only partially met by the excavation data. Preliminary analysis suggests these sites are neither chronologically nor culturally discrete and once again cautions us to be skeptical when applying ethnographic and historic observations to the archaeological record. The expectation that these sites are predominately late period occupations was only partially met. The 2002 excavations did yield some late period artifacts, namely Arabian and Indian glass trade beads, but artifacts of much greater antiquity

were also present. Initial study by Chris and his colleague, Dr. Bertram Mapunda of the University of Dar es Salaam, has led them to believe Early Iron Age pottery (known locally as the Chifumbaze Complex) is also represented in the collections, making some assemblage components 2000 years older than initially thought. That



*Early Iron Age pottery recovered from  
the Kibaoni site, Tanzania.*

these sites largely represent Mpimbwe groups is also questionable. Few of the excavated pottery styles were identified as local by Mpimbwe potters in the nearby village. In addition, Dr. Mapunda has suggested that some of the styles may originate in the Congo to the north and west, and not from groups in the south and east as expected.

Regardless, explanation is hampered by the lack of research conducted in this region, or anywhere close to the project area. Rukwa Valley is virtually unknown prehistorically and the 2004 excavations are going to concentrate on archaeological basics such as developing a regional chronology and identifying changes in artifact style through time. Chris is also becoming interested in the relationship between artifact style and ethnicity, particularly since it is a dominant theme in Californian archaeology and will be looking at the Tanzanian data for implications here locally. The 2002 artifact assemblage is currently on the CSU campus and Chris is looking for students interested

in working with the collections. Graduate student Susan McPherson has already begun looking at the Tanzanian artifacts. Chris will be joined this summer by CSU faculty Tony Waters (who is currently in Dar es Salaam on a Fulbright Fellowship), University of California faculty Dr. Monique Borgerhoff-Mulder and Dr. Tim Caro, Dr. Mapunda of the University of Dar es Salaam, Peter Abwalo from the Tanzanian Department of Antiquities and CSU student Kevin Dalton.

#### **Stacy Schaefer (1999)**

Over last summer, Dr. Stacy Schaefer traveled to South America in preparation for a new course she taught fall semester, ANTH 168 Indigenous Peoples of Latin America. In Peru she visited a number of archaeological sites along the north coast of Peru where she was given special tours by her colleagues who have been carrying out long-term excavations. She also spent time with her colleague who works with curanderas (healers) that use the San Pedro cactus in their ceremonies. In Chile Stacy attended the International Congress of Americanists, co-organized the session "The Space Between: Participatory Strategies in Shamanic Studies" and presented the paper "Experiencias y Estrategias en el trabajo de campo con Huicholes y con miembros de la Iglesia Nativa Norteamericana/ Experiential Aspects and Strategies of Fieldwork among Huichol Indians and members of the Native American Church." In the fall, graduate students Leslie Darlington and Heather McCafferty joined Stacy and museum curator, Adrienne Scott at the Western Museum Association meetings in Reno, Nevada. For the spring semester, Stacy is on sabbatical, gathering research on the life of Mrs. Amada Cardenas, a 99 year old Mexican American woman who lives on the border of Texas and Mexico

and has had a long intimate relationship with members of the Native American Church.

#### **Charlie Urbanowicz (1973)**

At the end of May 2004, Charlie will have completed his 31st year at CSU, Chico and retirement is looming! Darwin continues to be a major topic of his research and if you are interested in some "Darwin Videos" (four in all) wherein Charlie portrays Darwin in the first person (complete with shaved head!), point your browser to: <http://www.csuchico.edu/~curban/FourDarwinVideosFeb2004.html>. A surprise Charlie had last year was an invitation by a firm to provide lectures on cruise ships in the South Pacific. Who knows, he may get back to Tonga and Tahiti yet! Charlie still enjoys teaching and in spring 2004 he had his largest "jumbo" course ever: 193 students enrolled in ANTH 13 (Human Cultural Diversity). If you wish, you can check out [http://www.csuchico.edu/~curban/syllabi/SYL\\_13-SP2004.html](http://www.csuchico.edu/~curban/syllabi/SYL_13-SP2004.html) and see how ANTH 13 looks "today" as opposed to when you might have taken the course or ANTH 296: [http://www.csuchico.edu/~curban/syllabi/SYL\\_296-SP2004.html](http://www.csuchico.edu/~curban/syllabi/SYL_296-SP2004.html). Charlie still doesn't try to "make" anyone an Anthropology major, but believes everyone needs a good "dose" of anthropology to understand our current world.

As in previous years, the theatre "bug" continued to nibble and Charlie and Sadie both appeared in the spring 2003 campus production of *The Caucasian Chalk Circle*. One of the roles they portrayed was that of a couple married forty years, which was true for them on December 31, 2003! In addition to performing, Charlie also served as "dramaturge" for the production or one who contextualizes the play for the performers: how appropriate for an anthropologist! If

you care to see the web page prepared for that production, have a look at <http://www.csuchico.edu/~curban/BrechtSp2003.html>. Another interesting experience for Charlie and Sadie in spring 2003 was a hike on the Sutter Buttes, described as the smallest mountain range in the world. They went with a group which has permission to climb on this private property. Of the two routes offered, they took the easier one which was to the 1000 foot elevation. Every time they drive I-5 they look at the Buttes and say, "been there, done that!" Charlie and his wife Sadie still enjoy being the grandparents of two wonderful children (Elizabeth, born in 1996 and Andrew, born in 1998). Son Tom and wife Julia had a home built about 15 miles south of Chico. Tom works as a software release engineer for a national company which has an office in Chico.

#### **P. Willey (1989)**

P. had two more Little Bighorn skeleton manuscripts accepted, one by the Journal of the American Dental Association. He received a sabbatical for AY 2004-05 to continue his research on the medical histories of the Seventh Cavalry troopers. Another hour-long video on the archaeology of the Little Bighorn premiered in 2003 with its US premiere last October on the History Channel. P. and co-researchers gave one presentation and submitted two manuscripts on the 5000 year old footprints in a Tennessee cave. P.'s involvement began 13 years ago; the other researchers started the work nearly 30 years ago. He was invited to return to the U. of Tennessee (Go Vols!) to give two presentations in a series he once coordinated 20 years ago. On the home front, after living in a house near One-Mile for six years, P. and wife Judy are finally getting around to remodeling the rear of the house. The work should be completed by the

end of the school year. P. continues to home brew; this year's pride included a wonderful cream ale and a maibock. Judy continues repairing and managing the house, taking classes at Chico State (mostly GIS related), and flower gardening. Last spring they car-camped and day-hiked through southern Utah and last fall they took a couple of fun backpack trips in northern California.

### *Retired Faculty*

#### **Keith Johnson** (1963-2002)

Last year was the year of reunions!, Keith says. Wife Karen and he went to Southern California for his 50th year high school class celebration. The guest for the evening was Keith's favorite high school (Latin) teacher. Then there was the 40-year Anthro Alums Reunion at the former President's Mansion on campus. Fifty alums, anthro faculty, staff and their families jammed the mansion for a catered dinner and to relive old times. Besides working for the Butte County Historical Society Museum and Archives for another year, Karen and he managed to travel around some. They visited Mt. Rushmore, floated along the Inside Passage in Alaska, retraced the last days of the Civil War in Virginia and met Karen's sister, Sandy, in San Francisco and visited the City for a few days. Keith contacts Dennis Mertz (MA 1981) in Maryland every week during football season and even attended games in Arizona and San Jose (ugh!) this year. Christmas found most of their family at Sea Ranch on the California coast which they enjoyed for a week. Finally, Keith spent at least one day a month on campus in his capacity as president of the Chico State Retired Faculty Association.

**Tom Johnson** (1970-1994) Santa Rosa, twj@sonic.net

Tom's greatest joy for the past year has been the time that he has been

able to spend with his grandson. Justice Brilliant is now 15 months old and Tom and his wife get to baby-sit him frequently. Daughter, Naomi, is busy full-time running Roshambo Winery, just up the road in Healdsburg. While the winery is doing very well, she is proudest of the art gallery in the tasting room. They have had shows by a number of young and edgy artists and have a following of people who visit regularly to see the art. Media coverage has been excellent with articles in several national magazines. Stop by to visit when you're in the area. If you let Tom know you're coming, he'll give you a great tour. Tom has also been busy on research for a couple of new book projects with library work planned for Berkeley, New York and London and interviews scheduled in several cities around this country, as well as England and Germany. This summer he will be part of the annual workshop of the International Society for Contemporary Legend Research in Aberystwyth, Wales. Tom says that he had once thought that retirement meant getting down to a 40-hour week. He's not even close, but says he is enjoying every minute of it. Tom recently sent us this piece of information. The March 13 issue of *The Economist* has a nice, brief article on the growing use of cultural anthropologists in industry. The unfortunate title of the article is "Off with the pith helmets", but the opening of the article, in large boldface, reads, "The use of anthropologists in technology firms, once a novelty, has now become commonplace. What changed?" A very nice piece for the department to use in publicity. It's on pp. 6 & 8.

#### **"Mark" Kowta** (1969-2003)

As of this writing, Mark and wife Mary are preparing for their two-week trip to Japan in April. Mark finished his half-time FERP teaching last year and

Mary has been working only half time since the beginning of the year, so they will be enjoying some sight-seeing and relative-visiting in addition to attending to Mary's CSU international student responsibilities. They are looking forward to adding to last year's experiences in Asia and Turkey. On the home front, the guest room is now ready for occupancy, lacking only "dear reader's" inclination to pay a visit to the homestead on Arbutus Avenue. The fig tree (purchased from Bill Kinnicutt, BA 1969, MA 1972) is promising a bumper crop this year. Their PT Cruiser's odometer recently hit the 5000 mile mark. And by the way, if you're thinking of purchasing a Turkish rug, be sure to stop by to hear Mary's first-hand account of their cultural experience in an Istanbul rug merchant's salon! Mark's work on his California archaeology book proceeds apace, interrupted by crash reviews of written and spoken Japanese, attempts at mastering PowerPoint, sundry invasive world and national events, and digressions into accounts of American, Turkish, and Japanese culture history.

#### **James Myers** (1965-1994)

Jim writes, "Look for the sixth edition of Art Lehmann's and Jim Myers' terrific text, "Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion. (Buy one for the folks!) Eldest daughter Pamela Moro will be a new co-author for the latest edition. Jim and wife Lynn have fled the Golden State ('hasta la vista, Arnie!') and returned to the great Northwest...Port Townsend, WA."

### *Staff*

#### **Adrienne Scott** (2001)

Adrienne is into her third year at the Museum of Anthropology and "loving it immensely". In addition to her work at the Museum she has become a programmer at Chico's community radio station KZFR FM

90.1; writing, producing and hosting her own family show entitled *The Storyteller*. The primary aim of *The Storyteller* is to entertain and educate listeners about a variety of cultures far and near, past and present along with developing a sensitivity to our diverse world. *Storyteller* shows include myths and legends, poetry and music, recipes and customs from the whole human family. It's been a fun opportunity to bring anthropology and the museum activities to the airwaves of Chico. Tune in on alternating Tuesdays at 7:00 pm! Travel is in the plans for this summer when Adrienne's husband, Philip, daughter Hannah, and she travel to Madrid, Spain to visit her father who will be teaching an American cinema course at the university for their summer session. They plan to make Madrid their base point while they travel on day trips in out lying areas for a couple of weeks in June. She assures that she will take plenty of pictures/slides!

#### **Trudy Waldroop (1980)**

Trudy and husband Dan of 36 years moved back into their home in Orland last August. There are still a few "unfinished business" to take care of, but it's livable. Last summer they were only able to get up to Chester a few times and late (due to snow) as they were too busy working on the Orland house and getting moved out of the Chico house before the sister-in-law moved in. Trudy spent a week in Cleveland last July attending the annual convention of Business and Professional Women. She is the Assistant Director of Sierra Area CA State Association of Parliamentarians. This August Trudy will be attending her 40<sup>th</sup> (or is it 30<sup>th</sup>?) year reunion from Chico Senior High. Well, she's going to do it. How time flies. Thought it was so far away but after 24 years in the Anthropology Department and a total of 27-1/2 years employed on

campus Trudy has decided to retire on June 30, (her anthro anniversary) 2004! Everyone asks her what will she do. Her standard response is, "#1 throw out the alarm clock and #2 whatever I want."

#### **Greg White (1996)**

The year 2003 was also a busy one for Greg. Greg re-enrolled in graduate school at UC Davis, taking classes (from Bruce Winterhalder and Robert Bettinger) in the winter and spring quarters and completed his dissertation for receipt of the PhD last September. The dissertation topic was "*Population Ecology of the Colusa Reach*," focusing on the evidence for prehistoric demography and economic change along the Sacramento River. Greg also co-edited and oversaw production of 3 volumes of the SCA Proceedings (#s 14, 16, and 17), and produced 3 large reports (+250 pages), an "*Archaeological Overview and Research Design for Lava Beds National Monument*," and "*Cultural Resource Overview and Management Plan, Sacramento River Conservation Area, Tehama, Butte, Glenn, and Colusa Counties, California*," and a final report of "*Testing and Mitigation at Four Sites Along the Level (3) Long Haul Fiber Optic Alignment, Colusa County, California*." Smaller reports produced by the Archaeological Research Program this year included an overview for Ahjumawi Lava Springs State Park, and cultural resource overviews for the Tehama-Colusa and Glenn-Colusa canals. Cultural resource investigations in the proposed Sites Reservoir were on hold due to the state's fiscal crisis. Owing to the Sites delay, Archaeological Research Program contracts in 2003 were down a bit from the previous year, totaling around \$200,000.

#### **Amy Huberland (2001)**

Amy began working as the Assistant Coordinator of the Northeast Information Center in July 2001. Having grown up in Los Angeles, she migrated north to attend college at Santa Barbara and Berkeley obtaining a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology from Sonoma State University in 1977. Her first experience in field archaeology involved working on projects through Sonoma State's Anthropological Studies Center. She spent several years working for the Center, as well as Mendocino National Forest, California Department of Transportation and private consulting firms, before finishing her Master's degree in Cultural Resource Management (1988). After receiving her degree, Amy has worked as an archaeologist for the U.S. Forest Service and later Dames & Moore in Chico. Throughout her career, Amy has focused on the study of prehistoric and historic sites in northern California. She has also had the good fortune to be involved in field projects in Chiapas, Mexico and the coast of Alaska. In the early 1990s, Amy became a wife and mother as well as a part-time archaeologist. Since that time her career roles have included running her own archaeological consulting firm and working for the Archaeological Research Program at Chico State. She finds her current position as Assistant Coordinator of the NEIC challenging and rewarding.



2003 NEIC Staff before leaving old Langdon office, from left: Amber Hynes, Kathy Holden, Greg Collins, Rose White, Amy Huberland, Lucia Ledwith, Stone and Adrienne Slattery.

## 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.

## 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.

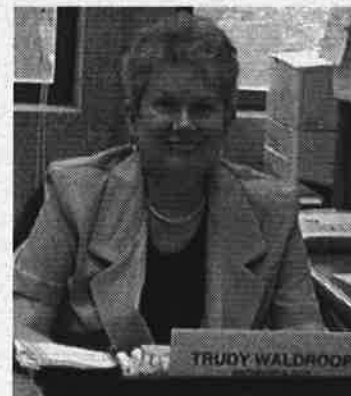
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 Maria Kivlin, BA 1992  
 Julie Lang, BA 1999  
 Pam Lee, BA 1972  
 Anatasia "Stacy" Leigh, MA 1998  
 Julie Shields Lindeman, BA 1991  
 Tanya Lipton, BA 1990  
 Lis Bonghee, BA 1992  
 Kristin Lundberg, MA 1996  
 Amy Magoria, BA 1997  
 Stephanie Michelet, BA 1998  
 Eddie Moravec, BA 1997  
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 Cheryl Muceus, BA 1975  
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 Jennifer Parlett, BA 1999  
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 Jerridith Rickenbacker, BA 1996  
 Jamaica Ritcher, BA 1996  
 Tobin Rodman, BA 2001  
 Michael Roebuck, BA 1990  
 Benjamin, Scinto, BA 1997  
 Susan Stanbrough, BA 1997  
 Krislyn Taite, MA 1999  
 Tim S. Thompson, BA 2000  
 Kathleen, "K.D." Tyree, MA 1993  
 Edith Voss, BA 2003  
 Natalie M. Welch, BA 2001  
 Eric Wohlgemuth, MA 1984  
 Greg Yopez, MA 1983

## Personal Privilege

I have thoroughly enjoyed my evolution from Clan Destiny typist, to co-editor, then basically the editor for the past 11 years. It's been a delight to keep in touch with the alumnae – sometimes nagging them to stay in touch and fill out that Data Sheet. I can't image where the time has gone. It literally seems like a few months ago I met with Alice Briggs to discuss my new position in the Anthropology Department. In reality that was 24 years ago. I never imaged I'd be in one department that long. But it doesn't feel at all like it's been 24 years. I've had a great, wonderful, and educational experience. The Anth dept. faculty and staff have been like an extended family – so enjoyable and supportive. But I'm only retiring from CSU-C. I'll continue to be as close and accessible as the telephone and e-mail and the monthly departmental dinners.

*Most sincerely, Trudy Waldroop*



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## *Alumni News*

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### 1960s

**Ruth Gardner Begell** (BA 1968), Vacaville, [begells@aol.com](mailto:begells@aol.com) or [ruth@SchulzMuseum.org](mailto:ruth@SchulzMuseum.org)  
 After CSU-Chico, Ruth received a MA in Anthropology from CSU-Sacramento in 1977. Ruth has been the Director of the Charles M. Schulz Museum in Santa Rosa for almost 4 years now - since before the groundbreaking. She still feels she has the best job in the Museum world and feels lucky to go to work each day. She and husband Rick have been traveling a lot for both business and pleasure (the Schulz Museum worked with a German Museum on a recent exhibit). Since Rick's deep brain stimulation surgery in December for his Parkinson's and the dramatic improvement in his health they are making plans for more ambitious trips and bigger projects at home. Ruth invites fellow Anthro Alums to stop by the Museum when they are in the Sonoma wine country.

### 1970s

**Frederick Dreier** (BA 1970, MA 1978; Ph.D. Washington SU-Physical Anthro) Redding, [fdreier@Charter.net](mailto:fdreier@Charter.net)

Dr. Dreier finally retired last July from public education after 32 years. He taught high school social studies for 23 years and completed the last 9 years in administration. Fred recently started his own business called Strategic Solutions Consulting service providing customized educational research to districts and schools. He plans to return to anthropology in the near future, but doesn't know exactly what that might look like at this point.

**Barry Hewlett** (BA 1971, MA 1977) Philomuth, OR, [Hewlett@vancouver.usu.edu](mailto:Hewlett@vancouver.usu.edu)

In 2003 Barry had two publications: Culture and Ebola in Northern Uganda in *Emerging Infectious Disease* and Father's Roles in Forager, Farming and Pastoral Cultures in *Father's Role in Child Development*, Michael Lamb, Ed. In February-March, 2003 he and wife Bonnie (nurse and anthropology) did fieldwork in the Republic of Congo assisting the World Health Organization in control of Ebola outbreak. In November-December he was in Central African Republic continuing research with Aka foragers and Ngandu farmers. Barry says, "I was really sorry we had to miss the 40<sup>th</sup> reunion; six kids keep us busy."

**Lucy (Skjelstad) Sperlin** (BA1971, MA 1979) Chico

In "retirement" Lucy is continuing her work as a museum professional as an almost full time volunteer with the Chico Museum Association's Patrick Ranch and is on the Association Board. Other volunteer work includes being a Butte County CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) for a child in the dependency system; League of Women Voters Board; and leadership in the Chico Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship.

Personal Comments: "Life is Good!"

**Johnny Moore** (MA 1972) Quincy, CA, [www.sugarpine@thegrid.net](http://www.sugarpine@thegrid.net)

Johnny is still the owner/operator of Sugarpine Aviators located at Gansner Airfield, Quincy, CA. He went into business there in July of 1977 and survived and he still flies for a living. Last summer wife, Judy, granddaughter Tamara and he returned to Patten, Maine where his Rogers ancestors were loggers. The "Logger's Museum" located there honors them and their work and entertains thousands of visitors a year. Now-a-days that "work" is controversial. They are probably responsible for many acres of hardwood trees in the Katahdin National Park which have taken the place of the firs and spruce. Each year the Rogers extended family gathers at nearby Shin Pond for a celebration. From an anthropological point of view Johnny says it is interesting. The traditions that Johnny's great grandmother Mary Elizebeth Barker-Rogers began still remain. Children dance around a bonfire chanting age old tales, houses a' fire burning (made of boxes with little faces in the windows). The quiet Shin Pond a few feet away reflects the rising embers. Johnny's 400 page historical book, "Family Centennial," covers these and other fascinating times. He is happy to say that it is selling nicely. The book is still in print if anyone is interested in tales of "Down East Maine" during the time of the first white settlements and beyond. "Call, e-mail or write."

**Joanne Adams** (BA 1973, MA 1979) Chico, [jadams@dcsi.net](mailto:jadams@dcsi.net)

Joanne Adams was formerly known by the surnames of Cannon and Colbert. She says she changes her last name every 15 years. However, since returning two years ago to using her father's name of Adams, she says she will keep that one for the duration. Currently Joanne is a part-time lecturer in the Anthropology Department and self-employed as an editor and writer. She keeps very busy: involved in teaching, research and as a Board of Directors member of the California State Employees Association. She

has completed a paper entitled "Cotton, Cons and Cops: Depression Desperados" which focused on the criminal career of Pretty Boy Floyd. She became interested in that era of history because she shares Oklahoma roots with Floyd and other cons of the era. Currently she is learning about the religious tradition of Snake Handling among Holiness groups in Kentucky, West Virginia and other southern states. A goal Joanne has is to complete her memoirs. This is her "Letter to the World" (as Emily Dickinson said). She writes social commentary (her pet peeves, naturally!). Also, many of the essays are derived from her life experiences and her journals.

**Gail Fiorini Jenner** (BA 1973) Etna, CA, [gfiolini@sisqtel.net](mailto:gfiolini@sisqtel.net)

After receiving her BA degree at CSU-C Gail received a secondary Teaching Credential and now teaches part-time at Etna High School. Her first novel, *Across the Sweet Grass Hills*, a historical fiction, won a 2002 Willa Literacy Award for Best Original Paperback from Women Writing the West. Also in that year Arcadia Publishing released *Western Siskiyou County: Gold and Dreams*, an anecdotal history, co-authored with Monica Hall. This piece features over 100 historical photographs. Gail recently had a screenplay place as a finalist in two film contests including the FADE-IN and the Acclaim Film competitions. On a personal level, Gail now has two grandchildren. She and her husband of 32 years and their youngest child, now 6, live on the Jenner ranch, a fifth generation cattle operation. Their eldest daughter (CSU-C 1996) and husband live in Redding. Their eldest son (CSU-C 2001) and his wife live and work on the ranch.

**Doug Crispin** (BA 1974) Eugene, OR, [d2crispin@aol.com](mailto:d2crispin@aol.com)

Doug continues his career in national and state parks. He has been employed as a Park Ranger, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department since 1985 and the National Park Service 1975-1985. Counting park volunteer and concession work, he completed his 31st summer in the parks last year. A big believer in "busman's holidays," Doug and his son became park tourists last summer camping and visiting many of the great southwestern national parks. The highlight was observing 12 California Condors at one time along the rim at the Grand Canyon. Doug writes, "Anthropology enriches my life daily. I feel I have a greater understanding and appreciation for the diversity of mankind. It helps me try to be a good neighbor to my fellow man and to attempt to be a good citizen for the natural resources of our earth."

**Donna North** (BA 1974) Apple Valley, CA, [dinrutnut@aol.com](mailto:dinrutnut@aol.com)

Donna was only able to teach for 12-1/2 years with the Victory Valley High School District before being forced into retirement by congestive heart failure. She and husband Orlyn are now traveling the U.S. and Canada in their 5<sup>th</sup> wheel. Her 3 children are grown with children of their own; 7 total—to date. Gail says that she would love to hear from former classmates and teachers by e-mail but instructs that people need to put their name in the memo column as she deletes anything she doesn't recognize.

**Mark Rawitsch** (BA 1974) Willits, CA, [mrawitsc@mendocino.cc.ca.us](mailto:mrawitsc@mendocino.cc.ca.us)

Since graduating from CSU-Chico as the Anthro Department's "Student of the Year" in 1974 and UC Riverside with a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship in the late 1970s, Mark shifted from an early museum job in Carpinteria (near Santa Barbara) to Director of the Mendocino County Museum (1978-88); Deputy County Administrative Officer for the County of Mendocino (1988); and since 1988 has worked as an instructional administrator at Mendocino College, part of the California Community College System. Mark is now one of two Deans of Instruction at Mendocino College, responsible for the college instructional program in outlying areas of the college district in Mendocino and Lake Counties. He is also still involved with the City of Riverside as a consultant to the Harada House Project, involving the preservation of a Japanese American home, now a National Historic Landmark. Mark's Harada House Project, the focus for his master's research at UCR, resulted in the recognition of the house as a historic landmark and the publication of *No Other Place: Japanese American Pioneers in a Southern California Neighborhood* (1983). The book explored the Harada family's successful challenge of the California Alien Land Law of 1913 and the subsequent history of the family during World War II. The house is soon to transfer from family ownership to public domain as a new historic site owned by the City of Riverside. Plans are in the works for a new museum and interpretive center with the house as a centerpiece for a project dedicated to Japanese American civil rights. Mark lives in Willits and is married to dancer, choreographer, and teacher Sandy Metzler. Together they preside over their isolated Bell Springs Ranch in the mountainous Coast Range of northern Mendocino County. Mark says, "Chico Anthro folks might enjoy hearing that I hired recent Anthro Department graduate Doug Prather to teach two Anthro courses at Mendocino College."

**Skip Lohse** (BA 1975) Pocatello, ID, [Lohserne@isu.edu](mailto:Lohserne@isu.edu)

After Chico State, Skip went on to receive his MA and PhD in Anthropology from the University of Utah.

Skip is married with three children. Sam, the oldest, is working on his MS in Chemistry at ISU. Keith is a sophomore in Psychology at ISM. Gretchen is enjoying 5<sup>th</sup> grade. His wife, Doty, is an Associate Professor in Education at ISU. Both Skip and Doty's research focus on computer applications. Skip is currently working with faculty from Education, Computer Information



Systems, Psychology and the GIS Center in developing A1 interfaces for archaeological databases. Their work has taken them to Scotland, Austria, Sweden, and Finland within the last two years. Skip's ongoing extra-curricular passions are coaching soccer, basketball and woodworking. "Thanks CSU. Hi to the Anth faculty from '75".

**Richard V. Olson** (BA 1975) Sacramento [Richard\\_olson@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Richard_olson@dot.ca.gov)

Rich has recently relocated to Northern California after 15 years when he was transferred with CALTRANS. He works as an Environmental Planner in District 3 – North Region for CT and conducts archaeological field investigations throughout the North State. Rich recently purchased a home in Sacramento near the American River Parkway and is now closer to his son, Alex, who is 13 and attends Middle School in Roseville.

**James Jamison** (BA 1976) Newark, CA [djamison@sbcgkbal.net](mailto:djamison@sbcgkbal.net)

James went on to receive a MA in English and a Library Science Certification from San Jose State University. He currently is the Librarian Media – Microtext Technician at Stanford University. James' most recent honor was last year when he was mentioned as a special person to thank in a new book (release date March 2004) written about the life of Leland Stanford. The author, Norman Turterro, spent many hours in James' area: the Media Center in the Green Library, where professors and authors do Humanities/Literature research at Stanford. James' mother, Kirsten Curran, still resides in Oroville. Every time James and his wife, Diane, travel up to visit the family Chico State's beautiful campus is a favorite side trip. Happily, the past few years have been peaceful and filled with May celebrations. Diane battled breast cancer in 2002. Thankfully, with positive results as she is now in remission and all indicators remain positive for complete recovery. Diane is also a CSU-C graduate in 1976 with a BA in Spanish.

**Mary Williams Maniery** (BA 19676, MA 1979) Sacramento

Mary reports that nothing has changed with her, except more gray hair. She is still the historical archaeology commissioner on the State Historical Resources Commission until 2005, but could go sooner since she was a Gray Davis appointee. Linda Arthur (BA 1970), Julia George Borovay (BA 1976, MA 1981) and Mary had a reunion this summer up near Quincy and drove back to Sacramento the "long way" in order to visit Chico. They had great fun seeing the old houses they used to live in, as well as the student union, Butte Hall, and the old archaeology lab in Trinity Hall. "We've come a long way but Chico still lives in our hearts. Hope all is well with you and the Anthro group," Mary says.

**Karen (Greczkowski) Emrey** (BA 1977) Santa Rosa, [kfge001@aol.com](mailto:kfge001@aol.com)

Karen is self-employed. She and her mother have been lucky travelers: to Egypt in January 1999, England and Scotland in May 2000, and to Peru in June 2001.

**Karen Keeran Green** (BA 1979, Tourism Minor) Ashland, OR, [greenkaren@aol.com](mailto:greenkaren@aol.com)

Karen currently has 2 jobs: (1) High school teacher: currently teaching Foods and Nutrition 1 and 2, previously teaching Business Education before the department was cut due to budget problems, and (2) Account Manager for TAD Accounting, an Internet based outsourced accounting firm. Year 2003 was a very busy year. She received her Master's Degree in Education in June, after successfully presenting her project before a committee in April. The graduation ceremony at Oregon State University was full of ritual and an inspiring experience. They were led into the stadium by a bagpipe band and were "hooded" with blue and orange hoods. For Karen's project, she designed a web-based personal finance class for high school students. The course is currently being offered at Southern Oregon Online School. With all the budget cuts in Oregon she was laid off, ironically, the day after she presented the work for her masters. However, Karen was rehired a few months later to teach Foods and Nutrition. "It is really fun," Karen says, "and food has proven to be a very interesting medium. We all have shared experiences around food, and there's nothing like cooking and stirring to level the playing field between students of different abilities." Karen also works part time from her home office for a company that provides outsourced accounting services. She loves working for a virtual company. Last summer she went on the "Cradle of Civilization" tour with her daughter and 30 other 14 year olds. Karen never thought traveling like that would be so much fun, but it was! The most remarkable spot to her was Delphi, on the Gulf of Corinth in Greece. Pompeii was also amazing. Her daughter is now 15 and a freshman at the high school where Karen teaches part-time. Her son is 22 and graduated from Western Culinary Institute in Portland. He is a chef in Seattle. After a 35 year break, Karen is taking up the flute, a project that is "keeping me humble". Her husband and she are in the beginning stages of building a house. From Karen, "Anybody looking for a house to buy in Ashland? Life is good. I hope everyone is doing well!" [Prior to moving to Ashland, Karen worked in the Text Office of the Associated Students bookstore. You should see the Union now! Ed.]

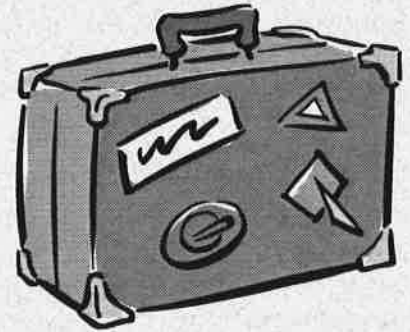


**Darrell Mullins** (BA 1978 and Museum Studies Certificate) Los Molinos, dmullins@tco.net

Darrell has been involved with the Tehama County Museum for many years now and is starting his fifth year as the president of the board of director's. "It's more work than even KJ [Keith Johnson] said it would be!" The museum is in the process of building a new 3600 square foot annex building and have the exterior finished, more to do on the inside. He is still employed full-time as a Farm Manager for Dutro Farms, Inc. Darrell and wife Nevill are still married after 25 years. Nevill retired last year from teaching in Red Bluff. Darrell tells her she is now "officially a domestic goddess!" Darrell reports that the Tehama County Museum is in need of a few good interns. "It would be a great opportunity for students to learn the ins and outs first hand in a real situation. Besides it would look good on their resume!! Give me a call, 384-2505!"

**Bonnie (Williams) Pendleton** (BA 1978, MA 1981, PhD Texas A&M) Canyon, TX, bpendleton@mail.wtamu.edu

Bonnie taught entomology courses and chaired the Master's committees of 7 students from different countries last year. She did collaborative research to manage insect pests of sorghum, millet, maize, wheat, soybeans, sunflowers, and stored grain in Texas and African countries. Research proposals she wrote were funded for \$645,600. A proposal to the U.S. Department of Agriculture was funded for \$450,000 to find non-chemical ways to manage greenbug of sorghum and small grains. She co-authored 16 publications and 21 presentations. Bonnie traveled to Ghana and participated with the INTSORMIL (International Sorghum and Millet Collaborative Research Support Program) review team in Mali in October. In Mali, she helped the women of a village use a huge wooden mortar and pestle to pound cowpeas and sorghum for their supper while the INTSORMIL team was stopped to wait for the Malian President's motorcade to pass. Bonnie is entomology/plant pathology representative on the INTSORMIL Technical Committee. She will travel to southern Africa in March and Burkina Faso for a meeting and entomology workshop she is planning in April. Bonnie was Discipline Chair and organized an entomology session at the National Grain Sorghum Producers Conference. She is program co-chair, organizer of the sorghum entomology symposium, chair of the graduate student awards committee, and on various committees of the Southwestern Branch of the Entomological Society of America. She had exhibits on "Insects as Human Food" and "Insect-collecting Equipment" for thousands of school children at Insect Expo. She is in charge of the WT Women's Dorm Treat Project to provide goody bags to more than 1150 students. The WT Linnaean (entomology quiz) team she organized and coached placed third in regional competition. She organized and advises the WT Rotaract Club for leadership and service. She also is president-elect, on the Board of Directors, weekly newsletter writer, on the scholarship committee, chair of the annual community dinner, and a Paul Harris Fellow of the Canyon Rotary Club. [Whew! I'm pooped just reading this. Ed.]



**Nancy (Nan) Simpler** (BA 1978) Chico, najasi@sbcglobal.net

In addition to her BA in Anthropology at Chico State, Nan also received certificates in Gerontology and paralegal. What a varied career she has had. Nan was a commercial salmon seiner in Alaska, ran keno in Reno, and worked as an Advocate for Victim Witness Program at Glenn County Human Resource Agency. She is currently a Social Worker for Adult Services; In-Home Supportive Services and Adult Protective Service. Nan plans to retire July 7, 2004 and then continue to write children's stories. She has one daughter (Jean) and 2 sons (Rob and Britt) along with 2 granddaughters (Sara and Jamie), 3 grandsons (Brad, Chris and Jeston), and one great-grandson (Eli). "Besides aging gracefully," says Nan [see for yourself her picture on the reunion page], "I have realized the value of my anthro education. My world view expanded and I have learned to treasure similarities and differences. I am in awe of our bi-tech progress and enjoy each month knowing we are truly one!"

**Alberto Flores** (BA 1979) Marysville, CA

Alberto says he has finished his move from Salinas back to Marysville so he can be closer to CSU-C. Last April he took a trip to Ft. Lauderdale and Freeport Bahamas. He highly recommends snorkeling with the Bahama Mama crew and downing the "punch" Agnes pours. He is returning to the ship this year but will be going to Orlando and Daytona Beach instead. He'll be close enough to visit Cape Canaveral. Alberto will have a cabin on a ship while in the Bahamas this time. He is thinking of getting his scuba certification while there as "it's really not that expensive." He is also thinking of "ice road trucking" during the season so he can use what he learned from Dr. Valene Smith. Alberto says he is totally consumed by the incredible work of Maurice Cotterrell and Adrian Gilbert. "How they deciphered the Lid of Palenque is phenomenal." He has yet to read their latest books (Lid of Palenque vols. I and II) but plans to soon. "I'm still a Coast to Coast fan! Call in your sightings!!"

**Michael Dugas** (BA 1980, MA 1995) Chico, mdugas@fs.fed.us

Mike is starting his fourth year working for Mendocino National Forest out of the Willows office. He was recently promoted to eastside zone archaeologist. The price of advancement leaves him stuck in the office a lot these days. Mike has been able to stay

in Chico which he says is a great place to live and raise kids. Mike's children are now 10 and 12 years old. "Where have the years gone?!" Between working full-time, commuting, and parenting there is little free time left for recreation. He likes to visit the National Parks and can occasionally be found at Laxson Auditorium or Sierra Nevada Brewery for a live music event.

**Mike Pendleton** (MA 1980; PhD Texas A&M) College Station, TX, mpendleton@mic.tamu.edu or mpendleton2@juno.com

Mike is still employed full-time as a Research Associate by Texas A&M University Microscopy & Imaging Center where he teaches a class in Scanning Electron Microscopy this semester and completing research projects. Since leaving CSU-C Mike received a PhD from Texas A&M and worked for U.S. Department of Agriculture for 6 years. He has recertified as a master automotive technician in all 8 subfields of auto repair and is still currently fully certified. During SCCA weekends, Mike is part of the pit crew for a driver at the Texas World Speedway. He says, "In today's rapidly changing world, each person should have as many opportunities for employment as possible." Wife Bonnie and he bought another home in College Station for Mike while he is employed by Texas A&M U. Bonnie lives in their other home in Canyon (500 miles away) while she is a professor at West Texas A&M U. They get together on weekends and holidays. Mike's mother is now living with him in and taking art classes. He is selling froth flotation devices (to recover fragile archeological remains) through his website at <http://np2.bizhosting.com/np2.html>. You can see a photo of how much he has changed since his Chico days at the website <http://www.tamu.edu/mic/staff.html>. Mike has a publication in press concerning with the recovery of fungal remains from Mimbres archeological sites to be published in the Bulletin of the Texas Archeological Society. Mike writes that he was glad he attended CSU-C and received the individual instruction needed to begin a career based on the ability to write. "At a "big" university, such as Texas A&M, each professor is expected to write (and receive) grants, do research, publish, attend numerous meetings, and teach several classes (some with hundreds of students per class). The individual instruction (and editing of my thesis) given to me by Dr. Kowta (and others at CSU-C) taught me to write effectively. This skill was essential to my success and a skill not taught at most "big" universities."

## 1980s

**Judy Kane Bowman** (MA 1980) Chico, judygk@aol.com

Judy has one child, a son aged 22, Abraham. She's been married to Dr. Robert Bowman (Music Department) for 10+ years. Robert concertizes around the world and Judy has the most wonderful adventures. The latest was three weeks in Mexico.

**Trudy Ginkus Vaughan** (MA Museum Studies 1981) Redding, CA, coyotefox@charter.net

Trudy is now in her 21st year with her consulting business, Coyote Fox Enterprises, in Redding. "Hard to believe!" Says she is busy or busier at times than she wants to be.

**Andy Yatsko, III** (MA 1981) San Diego, andy.yatsko@navy.mil

Andy is an archaeologist with the Navy region southwest environment department and serves as its Cultural Resources Program Manager. Andy told us that his work office has transitioned to the new Navy-Marine Corps Intranet (NMCI) network and thus he has a new e-mail address which is listed above.

**Keith Light** (BA 1982) Salem, OR, lightsofsalem@msn.com

Keith does employment and training for the Chemeketa Community College in Salem. He also has a new e-mail address, above.

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

Laura has been volunteering even more at her children's school this year. She really likes helping at the school because it's something she enjoys doing that makes a difference.

**Michael Findlay** (MA 1984; PhD Oregon U 1992) Paradise

In the summer of 2002 Mike received a NEH Fellowship to the Maya area. An article published from the Fellowship experience, "Pandau and Panajackel: Comparative Cultural Histories of Laos and Guatemala (1978-1996)" in the CCHA Journal. Since July 1, 2003 Mike has been the Chair of Social and Behavioral Sciences at Butte College. He is working on completing his book on language and culture. For Christmas last year wife Denise and step-son Greg bought Mike a float tube. "Trout look out!" He's looking forward to traveling with Denise as she will complete her MA next year and will then be free to take off.

**Kathleen Piper** (BA 1986) Eugene, OR, zhukou@workdnet.att.net

Kathleen has recently been showing paintings, glass and ceramic sculpture through New Zone Art Gallery (for a look, go to [www.newzone.org](http://www.newzone.org)) and continues to sing folksongs and play the autoharp throughout the upper Willamette Valley. She says she is a political semi-activist. Last year she was active in the anti-war movement and fasted for a week on the steps of the state capitol

in Salem in support of a decent human services budget. She is on the board of directors of FSM-A, the Free Speech Movement Archive. Widowed in 1993, Kathleen moved to Oregon in 1999 with a new partner. Kathleen has six grandchildren. She has published several pieces of writing and is presently working on a novel set in Ancient Scythia.

### 1990s

**Amanda Johnson** (BA 1990 and Museum Studies Certificate) Wheatland, CA, [Amanda.e.johnson@aexp.com](mailto:Amanda.e.johnson@aexp.com)

Amanda says she survived year two as a Financial Advisor for American Express Financial and is looking forward to year three. She wrote, "loved seeing everybody at the reunion! It was great fun and Jim [husband] and I enjoyed ourselves thoroughly."

**Pam Nett Kruger** (BA 1991, MA 1996 CSU-N) Granada Hills, [babymakes4@verison.net](mailto:babymakes4@verison.net)

Pam continues to stay home to care for her two daughters, Ava 5 and Talia 2. She volunteers at Ava's preschool and started taking landscape design courses. Living in southern California she says she is able to put her new skills to use. Husband Bob had to work this past summer for a few days in Cambridge, England so the whole family tagged along. Pam and Bob's favorite site was Stonehenge. They also went "punting on the cam," the Cambridge equivalent to tubing down the Sacramento River. They also took in a West End show as Pam's sister happened to be backpacking through Europe at the time and babysat the girls in London. They visited many royal sites which their own princesses loved.



**Carol Bjornestad** (BA 1992) San Francisco, [cbjornestad@hotmail.com](mailto:cbjornestad@hotmail.com)

Carol is the Executive Assistant for APV Technology Partners. Last Thanksgiving she was on a chartered boat in the British Virgin Islands, "a wonderful way to celebrate Turkey day." She has been living with her boyfriend for almost a year now. They met during a sail boat race. The boat Carol races is 30 ft. and named 'Jane Doe.' She thought the forensic anthropology department might think that amusing. She is, "happy and healthy, but sorry I missed the reunion. Happy New Year to all! Looking forward to the next *Clan Destiny* mailing."

**Evlyn Turner** (BA 1992) Sherwood, OR, [exeason@earthlink.net](mailto:exeason@earthlink.net)

Yielding to the desire to rejoin the family circle, Evlyn made the decision to leave Paradise for Oregon. The most difficult part was leaving Chico State, "my 'home away from home' for so many years." There have been many benefits to being close to a daughter and her family, also George Fox University is only some 20 miles away which could be a part of her future. "Thanks to all."

**Linda J. Ragsdale** (BA 1993 and Museum Studies Certificate) Mount Shasta, [ragsdale@snowcrest.net](mailto:ragsdale@snowcrest.net)

After a 10 year museum career at Turtle Bay Museum in Redding, California, Linda is currently living in Southern California and employed by Design Craftsmen, LLC, a company specializing in the design and fabrication of museum exhibits. Linda joined Design Craftsmen last November as their West Coast Project Coordinator after leaving Turtle Bay. She is involved in the exhibit design process for several exciting large museum projects in Southern California. While at Turtle Bay, Linda enjoyed working with CSU-C grads **Trudy Vaughan** (MA 1981), who frequently acts as an archaeology consultant for the museum, and **Julia Pennington** (MA Museum Studies 2001), currently the Collections Manager for Turtle Bay. Linda is also in touch with **Nihad Shabbar** (MA Museum Studies 1993), from Jordan who is currently at George Washington University in Washington D.C finalizing her PhD studies in Museum Studies, and **Amanda Johnson** (BA 1990). Although located in Southern California for now, Linda still considers Mount Shasta her home and maintains her house there, returning frequently for long weekends to visit with family and friends. Daughter Emily, 21, is working and living in Mount Shasta while attending College of the Siskiyou. She is planning to attend CSU Chico in the fall. Son Tristan, 23, is attending Southern Oregon University in Ashland, Oregon, majoring in Environmental Ethics with an eye to becoming an environmental lawyer. Along with other family members, Linda and children traveled to visit relatives in Greece in 2002 and 2003. Finding that she really liked exploring her Greek roots, Emily returned last year and spent the summer working (and socializing) on a Greek island. The family plans to return to Greece again in summer of 2005 after the children both graduate from college.

**Geoffrey Kushnick** (BA 1995) Mission Viejo, CA

After Chico State Geoff went on to receive his MA from CSU Sacramento and is currently a PhD candidate at the University of Washington, Seattle. Presently he is in Sumatra, Indonesia for PhD research.

**Kristy Mathenia** (BA 1995) Coupeville, WA, [ilgauchoche@yahoo.com](mailto:ilgauchoche@yahoo.com)

Kristy completed her Peace Corps assignment in Uruguay 1995-97. In 1999 she married Manuel Valesquez. They bought 5 acres on Whidbey Island and built their home in 1999. She helps consulting for a local NGO that helps children in dire situations

internationally. They are trying to bring imports to sell in their store to support the program. Many of the imports are produced by people who have been impacted by war. The company Kristy works for (Asli Arts, Inc.) imports from Vietnam and Indonesia. The owner has lived there and supports fair wage and benefits to her manufacturers.

**Jamie Moore** (BA 1995; MA CSU-Sacramento) Chico

After receiving his BA in Anthropology here Jamie went on to receive his MA in anthropology from CSU-Sacramento in 2001. Since 1996 Jamie has been working for Lassen National Forest as an Archaeologist at the Almanor Ranger District in Chester. [Hey, maybe I'll see you during the summer months up there. Ed.] However, he lives in Chico with his wife and family. Jamie has been married for almost 8 years to Dawn and they have a 1-1/2 year old daughter named Olivia and another baby on the way – due in June.

**Kristin Lundberg** (MA 1996) Laos – Kansas, lundberg@ku.edu

Kristin is enrolled at the University of Kansas working on her PhD in Anthropology with a focus in medical anthropology and a regional interest in Southeast Asia. She advanced to candidacy July 2003. Since last August Kristin has been conducting her dissertation fieldwork in Laos on “Weaving, Women, and Well-being: Social Reproduction of Health in Lao P.D.R.” She is expected to remain there for another year. Her studies and research are funded by a National Institute of Health pre-doctorate fellowship.

**Karen Oeh** (MA 1996) Boulder Creek, CA, joehkaren@foothill.edu

She is an archaeology instructor and career advisor at Foothill College. Karen is starting her own non-profit NGO called Archaeology for Global Awareness and traveling to Iran and Iraq in April to document sites that have been damaged. She is a new board member of the United Nation's Association – Silicon Valley Chapter and hopes to educate the public on human rights.

**Eric Wilson** (BA 1996) Danville, CA, e\_rock1@hotmail.com

Eric is self-employed in building and remodeling. He is developing a new tool invention for the snowboarding industry and looking for a license deal. He is also helping his father in the wine business while operating his own construction company in the Bay Area. Eric recently got married in Hawaii.

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

After leaving Chico, Tracy spent a year living in a Hindu Ashram in San Jose, CA, an affiliate of the temple she lived in in India while doing fieldwork for her MA in cultural anthropology. She then landed work in San Francisco then Los Angeles in publicity and marketing. Tracy then left the “crazy world of Hollywood” (which she plans to write an ethnography about) and spent 6 weeks in Russia in the summer of 2002 before moving to Phoenix to be with family and her first nephew. Career speaking, she got back to her roots and began teaching anthropology at two community colleges. Last summer Tracy braved teaching Archaeology and this semester she is teaching 4 cultural classes including Introduction to Cultural and Social Anthropology and Women in Other Cultures. She continues to do class presentations on the Grateful Dead subculture and travels to see Grateful Dead – now called The Dead without Jerry Garcia – shows when she can.

**Ann Maurer** (BA 1998) Houston, TX, anniem222@hotmail.com

Ann also received a Masters of Science degree in Exercise Physiology from Texas A&M. She just ran the Houston marathon with a time of 3:28 qualifying her to run the Boston marathon this April. She is very active running and exercising and enjoys working in a local running store with people who share the same interests. But she also misses Chico a lot! “Hello to everyone.”

**Bryan Steelman** (BA 1998) Portland, OR, bksteels@yahoo.com

Bryan has lived a constantly changing life since leaving Chico. He has lived in New York City; Maui; Portland, OR; Seattle, WA; Napa; Red Lodge, MT; Valdez, AK; and Moab, UT. He found himself using his anthropology degree to immerse himself in many different career cultures ranging from opening a restaurant to leading 23 day wilderness courses to learning to make wine. Bryan recently returned to Portland, OR from a trip to Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam and is in the process of applying to graduate schools to study landscape architecture. “I'd love to hear from anyone who remembers me! Viva Chico!”

**Leta Ward** (BA 1998 and Cultural Certificate; MA cultural anthropology SFSU 2001) Olivenhain, CA, letaward@yahoo.com

Leta has recently returned from a year long journey through four countries in South America: Ecuador, Peru, Brazil and Argentina. She says she had a phenomenal time and took plenty of photos, a craft that will ideally be applied professionally someday in the field of anthropology. Until then, she will return to San Francisco and find a way to pay the rent. She sends “greetings to Bill Loker, Mike Findlay, Carolyn Heinz, and the fondly remembered Art Lehmann.”

**John Burge** (BA 1999, MA 2003) Chico, john123@c-zone.net

John completed his MA in Anthropology (archaeology) in Fall 2003. His thesis was a study of archaeological looting in the Ishi Wilderness. Fishing fans will be sad to hear that John only fished once during his 13 days of fieldwork along Deer and Mill Creeks. John is still engaged to be married ("what a miracle" he says) to the "lovely" Shannon Rooney. His children, Dylan (23) and Rachel (20) are doing well in spite of having their hearts broken – "oh, young love!" John recently bought into an international community of peace activist in Belize. He is looking forward to visiting his land and volunteering in a Mayan archaeological project. John's advice for graduate students, "Do not, I repeat, do not wait for your committee members to 'get back' to you. Camp out at their office doors and get them to read your thesis efforts so you can get timely feedback."

**Kuri Gill** (MA Museum Studies 1999) Brownsville, OR, kurig@missionmill.org

Kuri is continuing her work as Curator at the Mission Mill Museum, a 5 acre historic site in Salem with 3 historic homes, a church and a woolen mill. Her preservation work on the mill building kicked off this past fall with the awarding of the Save America's Treasures grant of \$250,000. She is also serving as curator for the Marion County Historical Society. Kuri is happily married to husband Tom. They live in the tiny historic town of Brownsville, OR with their beautiful toddler Kellar. "He is, of course, brilliant and funny," Kuri proudly says

**Marlo Eakes Meyer** (BA 1999, MA 2002) Charlottesville, VA, Mme4a@virginia.edu

Marlo is employed fulltime for the University of Virginia School of Medicine as the Pediatric Education Coordinator. After Marlo received a promotion at the university, she topped off the 2003 year by giving birth to a healthy, happy baby girl. Grace Ann Eakes Meyer was born on Christmas Eve, weighing in at 7 lbs 13 oz. and was 19 inches long with a head full of dark brown hair. "What a beauty!" Marlo lives in Charlottesville, Virginia with her husband Matthew Meyer (MA 2000), daughter Grace, and cat Hank Williams Sr.



## 2000

**Matt Meyer** (MA 2000) Charlottesville, VA, mm6wu@mail.virginia.edu

The last calendar year has spanned parts of Matt's second and third years in the PhD program at the University of Virginia. In the spring of 2003, Matt presented and defended his "Paper and Presentation" (the UVA equivalent of CSUC's candidacy exams) on origin narratives of the Santo Daime church, the Brazilian Amazonian religion he is studying. In the summer Matt traveled to Brazil to do his second two-month stint of preliminary fieldwork, this time mainly in the provincial capital of Acre State, Rio Branco. As a consequence, he and wife Marlo (BA 1999, MA 2002) have yet to spend an anniversary together, but he did make it back for her birthday. With his coursework done Matt is concentrating on writing grant applications for a year-long field project in and around Rio Branco. Presently he is focusing on the relationship of ritual experience and collective memory in the church, but of course these things tend to shift. Life changes too: as of Christmas Eve 2003, Matt and Marlo are the proud parents of Grace Ann. These days Matt spends his time reading and doing TA work in between diaper changes and bottle feedings.

**Eric Bartleink** (MA 2001) College Station, TX, ebartelink@neo.tamu.edu

Eric is in his 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the PhD program in Anthropology at Texas A&M University and is currently beginning his dissertation research. Last summer he assisted Amy Zelson (MA 1998), ME office New York City, with work on the World Trade Center identification effort. Last August, Eric was hired as an adjunct at SUNY-Canton where he taught a 3 week course on Clandestine Graves to a group of criminal justice majors. He hopes to be back in California this coming summer to work on his dissertation research at the Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology at UC Berkeley.

**Devin Hamlin** (BA 2001) Chico, hamlin42@sbcglobal.net

Since graduation, Devin has worked as an archaeological technician for both the Forest Service and Summit Envirosolutions. He has performed this work in California, Nevada, Oregon, Arkansas and Oklahoma. He recently took advantage of some unintentional free time (i.e., unemployment) by visiting London for a week. He is currently applying to graduate programs (including CSUC).

**Brian Childs** (BA 2002) Bakersfield, light2moderate@yahoo.com

In August 2002, a few months after graduation, Brian took an interview in Las Vegas, NV for a commercial pilot position. He had been flight instructing for about 2-1/2 years and jumped at this new opportunity. The job began in September 2002 and Brian began flying tourists over the Grand Canyon in single and twin-engine aircraft. The pay was bleak, the turbulence was death defying and the aircraft that were flown had maintenance nightmares..., however, the nature of the job and associated stresses

bonded the pilots of this company together in a way Brian has only read about. After almost a year of "flying the canyon", Brian got a job flying as a captain for a corporate jet company in Bakersfield, CA. "It's not Chico, but it's definitely better than being at the canyon." Currently Brian is taking night classes at Bakersfield Community College to earn a welding tech certificate (just as a hobby). He is constantly engaged in putting together a collection of stories about his experiences flying over the Grand Canyon in order to publish them in the near future. He has also found a local group of flintknappers with whom he continues to practice making projectile points on weekends. "Life is good."

**Kathy Holden** (BA 2002) Canyon Dam, CA, lassenlassie@yahoo.com

Kathy is presently doing an internship with the Nevada State Museum in Carson City. Upon completion of her internship in February they hired her full-time until July 31, 2004. That will give her 3 weeks until the Fall semester begins. After she graduated (2002) she decided to return to school and obtain the Museum Certificate, finish her 3 papers for the CRM Certificate, and she is also completing a Certificate in Archaeology from UCLA [whew!]. Kathy says, "If you get the chance take Dr. Georgia Fox' conservation class, it is a real eye opener to all the things that many archaeologists are ignoring when they excavate. Did you know: presently CSU-C has the only conservation lab west of Texas A&M!"

**Angela Pearce McGrew** (MA Museum studies 2002) Brooklyn, NY 11232, yvarraa@si.edu

Angie is a full time Conservator at the National Museum of the American Indian, Smithsonian Institution.

Angie and family are currently preparing to move back to California this spring. Angie has accepted the position of Associate Conservator with the Autry Museum of Western Heritage in Los Angeles. The Autry has recently merged with the Southwest Museum which has a collection of approximately 350,000 Native American objects, hemispheric in scope, and similar to, though smaller than, the collection she has worked with at the Smithsonian. Late breaking news: Angie and her husband just found out that he has been hired as lead preparator for the Getty Museum, also in the LA area. Angie was co-author/presenter of a paper and video given last year's annual meeting for the American Institute for Conservation held in Arlington, Virginia. The presentation entitled, "NMAI Moving", was modeled after Martha Stewart Living Magazine and television show and demonstrated "tips" for moving an anthropological collection. Response to the presentation was overwhelming in its praise for both the humor and content. The video was professionally produced by colleague Rachael Arenstein's husband's company, Leftfield Productions, and was sold in a limited, not for profit, release to conservation labs across the U.S. and abroad. Copies of the video are now in the libraries of the American Institute for Conservation and the Canadian Conservation Institute. The handouts Angie designed to accompany the video can be downloaded at <http://aic.stanford.edu/conspc/osg/info.htm#tips>. Angie's son Theron is now 2 ½ and knows his ABC's, loves to dance, and loves anything with wheels. During his two plus years at daycare in Throgg's Neck with a nice Italian family, he has developed a baby Bronx accent and a finely developed taste for pizza. Angie and husband Ashley look forward to introducing him to a lifestyle where he can be outdoors more often and to get to know his grandparents who also live in California and have only seen him in person a handful of times his entire life.

**Jennifer Bradley** (BA 2003) San Jose, CA, chicofish22@aol.com

Jennifer also received Minors in Criminal Justice and Sociology while at Chico State. She is currently working with the Jane Goodall Institute's youth education program, Roots & Shoots.

**Megan Anne Conn** (BA 2003 and the Outstanding Honor Student) Paradise, megananneconn@hotmail.com

Megan spent an extended season working as a Park Ranger at Chaco Culture National Historical Park in New Mexico. Since returning last November, she has been working (when the weather is good!) as an archaeological technician for the URS Corporation in Chico. In January, Megan took a two week vacation to Mexico with fellow Anthro student Marina Adame where they toured the pyramids of Teotihuacan and the National Museum of Anthropology in Mexico City.

**Jeremy Haines** (MA 2003) Overgaard, AZ (haines\_jeremy@hotmail.com)

Jeremy is an archaeologist with the U.S. Forest Service. He, wife Janice, and daughter Corinna currently live in a small town in northeastern Arizona. Despite a large wildfire that consumed a portion of the town, "life for them has been pleasant, mellow, and domestic."

**Craig Moraes** (BA 2003) Encinitas, CA, craigmoraes@yahoo.com

In August 2003, after graduation, Craig started working at Ryland Homes as an Administrative Assistant. In October he was given an opportunity to enter the management training program and finished in early December. Since then he has been working as a Project Manager and currently oversees 3 community developments in San Diego and Riverside Counties. His anthropological training has helped him understand the trends and needs of humans as a whole. The most pertinent class he says he took was Formal Methods because it helped him think in a methodological manner, which he takes to work everyday. "Thank's Anthro department!"

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